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Accord Reached on CV Road 3-Lane Sections

By Carolyn Rice

With harmony so close it was almost cloying, citizens told the Board of Supervisors Tuesday they had agreed that portions of Carmel Valley Road should be three-laned and plans to four-lane more of it should be laid to rest.

The small group testified before the supervisors voted 4-0 to certify an environmental impact report (EIR) on the road which also outlined plans for a four-lane extension, no project, and safety improvements in addition to the three-lane project.

The consensus among the dozen or so citizens who attended the session stood in stark contrast to some of the tumultuous hearings that have been held on the road in the past.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman told the *Sun* she was "very proud of the community on this one. It will be a tough project to ultimately (complete), but at least we have the right spirit in the beginning."

In advance of the hearing, Strasser Kauffman held a number of meetings with a small group of Carmel Valley residents to discuss what improvements should be made on the road from Via Petra to Robinson Canyon Road.

The three-lane alternative described in the EIR calls for:

- One lane westbound and two lanes eastbound with a raised median from Via Petra to just east of Brookdale and then from Schetter Road to Berwick Drive.
- A two-lane road with no median in a .79 mile section east of Brookdale to Stewart Lane.
- A two-lane road with raised median from Stewart Lane to east of Meadows Road
- Two-lanes westbound, a two-way left-turn lane, and one lane eastbound on a .76 mile section from east of Meadows Road to Schetter Road.

After hearing a number of Carmel Valley residents speak in favor of the three-lane project with the passing lanes, Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck, said, "I was sitting here thinking this was the calm before the storm...It's nice to be able to take the first step together."

Gerald Gromko, director of public works, was asked later if the plan could be categorized as the calm before the storm.

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RIDING THROUGH TOWN in the annual Halloween parade were Mayor Ken White and his wife, Jean, enroute to the dedication of the First Murphy House. (For more pictures and story see pages 12 and 13.) *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

With Record Turnout

Voters Reject Measure A, Boost Clinton, Two Women Senators

A record county vote swamped a supervisor-approved redistricting plan Tuesday, contributed to victories by Bill Clinton and California's first two women U. S. Senators-elect, but failed to extend anti-incumbent sentiment to local Democrats.

Rep. Leon Panetta of Carmel Valley, State Senator Henry Mello of Watsonville and State Assemblyman Sam Farr of Carmel were handily returned to office. But Farr got more of a race from Republican Susan Whitman of Pacific Grove than most pundits expected.

In the presidential sweepstakes, Clinton carried the county over George Bush by a 47 to 31 percent margin in final but unofficial returns. Wild card candidate Ross Perot picked up 20 percent.

A record 111,474 Monterey County voters cast ballots, 69.3 percent of those registered. The previous high turnout was in the 1988 presidential election when 104,368 citizens voted.

Among major county races, the most lopsided was Measure A, with 67.8 percent of voters rejecting a redistricting map approved April 7 by county supervisors. The vote was 66,688 no, 31,582 yes.

The issue was put on the ballot mainly by North County residents incensed when supervisors put them in a district stretching from one end of the county to the other.

Despite the decisive rejection of the April 7 map, the issue still will be decided by Federal Judge William Ingram. His trial of several consolidated challenges to the redistricting following the 1990 census is scheduled to resume in San Jose Monday.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, who changed her vote to give the April 7 map approval, told the *Sun*, "My hope is that the judge will permit the public to participate" in determining a proper new map. She also said she hoped Ingram would provide for an early supervisors' election, even an interim one if necessary, if the legal case drags on.

Three supervisors' seats were supposed to be filled in the June balloting this year, but voting was delayed by legal challenges to the supervisor's redistricting efforts. Earlier the board had approved a different map, but it was challenged in court almost immediately by La Raza, a Hispanic group seeking two strong Latino majority districts among the five in the county. Latinos make up 34 percent of the county population..

"It's a travesty that no supervisorial elections have been held," said Strasser Kauffman, who is one of those up for re-election. "It's a disservice to the voters."

County voters helped California become the first state to elect two women to the U. S. Senate. Seeking a full, six-year-term, Barbara Boxer, a Marin County congresswoman, polled 48.7 percent of the

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Zoning Gets Approval on Split Vote; Referendum May Follow

By Isabelle Hall

Mayor Ken White put his misgivings aside and joined the 3-2 majority Tuesday in approving a change in Carmel's Central Commercial District that may yet reach the voters in a referendum.

There was virtually no public comment as White announced that because there had been about 2-1/2 years of testimony to the Planning Commission and the council, "I would like to entertain comments that are new and have not previously been brought to the council before we take the final vote."

With Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston opposed, the council voted to extend the boundary of the central commercial (CC) zone south to Seventh Avenue to take in about 15 commercial properties. It voted 4-1 with Livingston opposed to expand the uses allowed in the Service Commercial (SC) or buffer zone between the residential area.

The two councilwomen wanted an environmental impact report instead of the Negative Declaration recommended by the Planning Commission and approved by

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Charges of Nepotism

Heuer Withdraws Son's Nomination For Water Financing Advisory Group

Pressured by fellow directors, Dick Heuer withdrew his nomination of his son to serve on a citizens' committee advising the water management district on financing for new water projects.

Using the term "nepotism," Chairman Dale Hekhuis told Heuer, a former chairman and senior member of the board, that appointing a family member to the advisory group "casts discredit on the district."

"The district has an obligation to set a high standard...I've seen all the bad consequences of nepotism..."

Heuer at first defended his choice of Rick Heuer of Monterey to be one of his two appointments to the group. He said his son was a management consultant familiar with the financing of large projects. He said he chose him because he represented Monterey and local residential neighborhoods.

The confrontation came near the end of a five-hour meeting when directors took up a consent calendar item that had been pulled earlier. It called for the directors' ratification of the committee members.

Heuer also told Hekhuis that he had chosen his son after talking to three other potential candidates who declined to accept because of lack of time.

"I've never had a director question another director's appointment," protested Heuer. He asked District Counsel David Laredo if there were any rules or clear conflict of interest that would bar such an appointment. Laredo said no.

Heuer complained that Hekhuis—with

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LETTERS

One Reasons We Should Slow Down

The other night, my husband and I were driving home, up Cachagua Road, when we saw something in the road ahead. I jumped out, and ran to it—a fawn stretched out, as if dead, in the middle of the road. As I knelt down I saw that it was breathing, faintly. I sat there, and started stroking it. I thought surely it must have a broken leg. I called my husband to bring a blanket, so we could pick it up.

But then it lifted its head and looked around... the biggest, darkest, brightest eyes I've ever seen.

I kept stroking it. Do you know what a thrill that is, to be petting a wild animal?... so beautiful, so helpless, and not afraid of you, trusting you? Presently it got to its feet, and walked a few feet away, shaky, but sound.

We followed it, and got it to go toward the canyon side of the road. It stopped there a moment, looked back at us, and then with a leap took off down the hillside.

So—that's why you shouldn't drive fast on our Valley roads.

Araby Colton
Carmel Valley

Put Up—or Shut Down?

I don't live in the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, but I appreciate the *Sun's* coverage of this agency which is so typical of our costly, self-perpetuating bureaucracies. If I did live within it, I'd be a lot more critical of it than I am.

What I don't understand is why the people who have paid $16 million into the district (*The Sun's* Oct. 22 story) and haven't gotten anything for it except hassled don't demand more progress.

After 13 inefficient, ineffective years, I think its time for the water board to put up or shut down.

Edwin Edward Hale
Carmel

Good Samaritans, All

Several weeks ago, on a beautiful, balmy evening while enjoying a walk on the beach pathway, a raccoon skittered in front of me. Instinctively, I moved to the left, hit a huge boulder and suffered a serious fall.

I want to say a public and heartfelt thank you to a number of considerate people who came to my rescue. To the two young women who heard me scream, saw that I had blacked out and was bleeding profusely, I am most appreciative of your kindness in insisting that you drive me to the fire department.

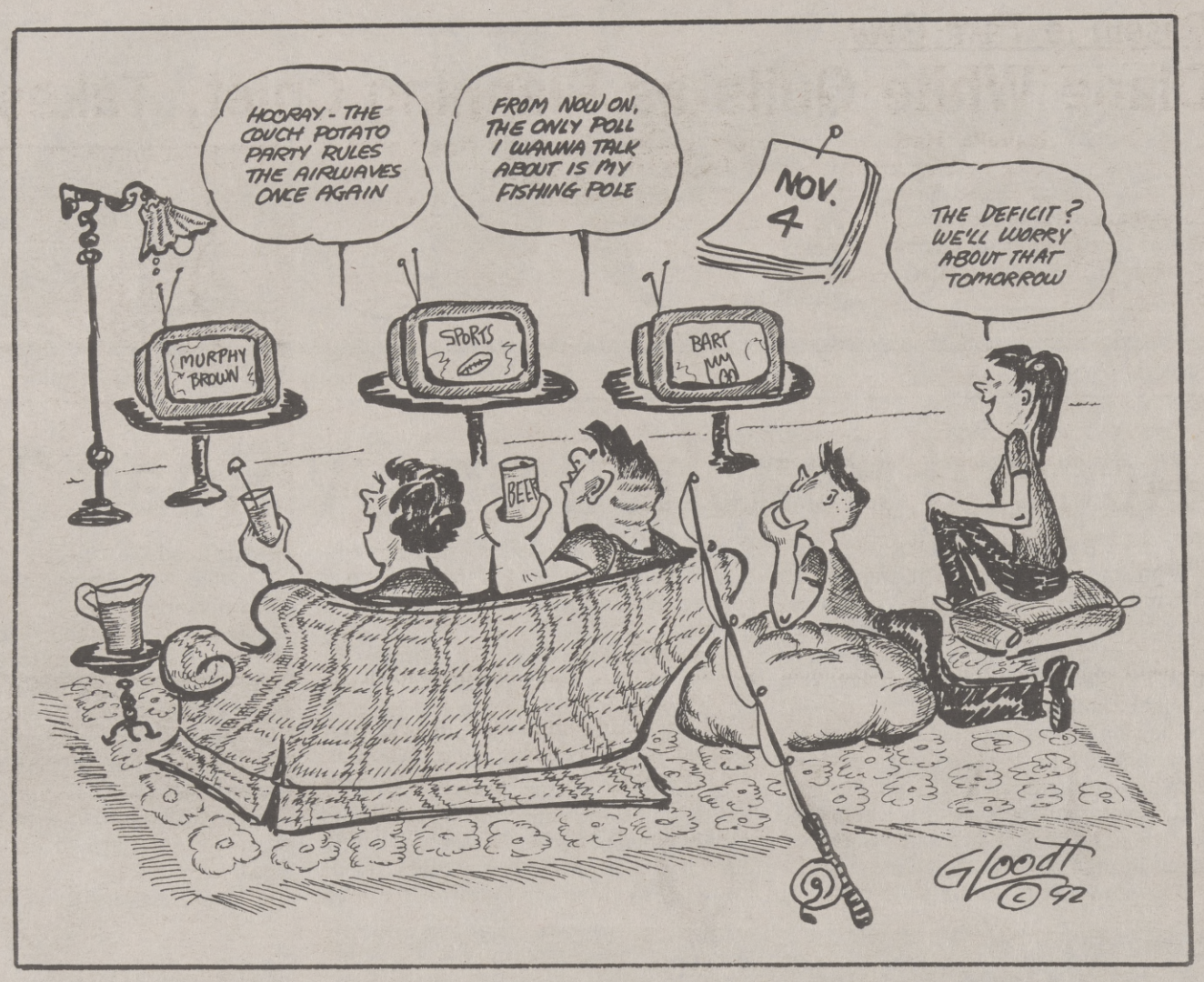
I am grateful also to the paramedics who spent a long time ministering to me. Carmel-by-the-Sea is very lucky to have such concerned, gentle professionals. I feel the same way about members of the fire department and the police officer who eventually took me back to my car and waited to see that I could drive the short distance home.

Thank you, too, to City Forester Gary Kelly. He promised me he would take action and soon the boulder was removed from the path. I wound up with a concussion, deep cuts, etc. but no bones were broken, and I feel extremely lucky. I believe someone 20 years older might not have been so fortunate.

In order to avoid similar accidents, I would like to suggest the city consider making slight modifications or repairs to the stairs at the Scout House and other public places where stone, chalk rock or the occasional boulder can be treacherous.

Again, my deepest thanks to all concerned.

Sharon Lawrence
Carmel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FROM NOW ON, THE ONLY POLL I WANNA TALK ABOUT IS MY FISHING POLE
NOV. 4
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Doesn't Understand Shorter Hours

Many taxpayers are envious of Carmel City Hall's new 35.5 hour public work week. Unlike the private sector, which works at least 40 hour week, because of budget cuts—cuts required by the government's own past overspending and mismanagement—City Hall is now open the equivalent of four days each week. No wonder government is in gridlock.

Let's also not forget that Carmel government's per resident spending is nearly 300 percent higher than Pacific Grove. Or 190 percent more than Monterey spends per resident and a whopping 570 percent more than Seaside. Yet despite spending the most, Carmel government can't seem to handle things. This seems incredible to me. And to make matters worse, our City Council has done nothing to fix the problem.

I don't mind a reduction in services, but only after government downsizes to the level taxpayers can afford and sets service levels and priorities. City Hall, for example, lost one full-time employee and some "seasonal relief" which resulted in its being open 20 to 25 percent fewer hours than a comparable private sector office. The Planning Department lost a building inspector, a planner and a code enforcement officer. How does this translate into a six person department being open to the public for between 29 and 33 hours per week? I don't understand this.

The point is this: cities, and especially Carmel, must look at every means to cut the cost of delivering services to the public, instead of cutting the services. In other words, stop cutting direct services to the public and starting cutting bureaucracy.

Lastly, the Council should eliminate its own salaries, medical insurance benefits and expense allowances. If the mayor asks taxpayers to clean streets, parks and the beach, it seems that Ken White and his Council colleagues should set the example by not making money off public service. Besides, no other residents who serve on boards or commissions receive compensation or other benefits.

Howard Nieman, Jr.
Carmel

Was the Border Patrol Justified?

No one living in Carmel Valley would be surprised by the fact that some of the workers who congregate in the Village looking for a job are here illegally. What may be surprising is what the Border Patrol will go through in order to apprehend these illegal workers.

Wednesday, the 28th, a raid was conducted by the Border Patrol which included a high-speed chase through the Cachagua area and ended with patrolman Chris Wells firing his gun and hitting the car being pursued. This event occurred roughly at 7:30 in the morning, during which time many residents of the Valley are going to work.

Regardless of what one might feel towards these workers (both legal and illegal) and what their rights are, the issue that seems to need addressing here is at what point does the Border Patrol infringe on our right to feel safe in our own Village. Granted, the Border Patrol does have a job to do, but does the scene played out the other morning go beyond proper procedure? The men being pursued and fired upon were unarmed illegal aliens looking for work.

Any one of us could have been seriously hurt by the speeding cars or flying bullet. We don't know when the next raid will occur, or to what lengths the patrolmen will go. Do you feel secure with that knowledge?

As a community we must find a voice and let the proper officials know that we do not feel that the actions of the Border Patrol are merited. According to Karina Rusk, the KMST reporter who accompanied the patrolman on the raid, the Border Patrol is conducting an internal investigation. Our voice is through Leon Panetta. If we all speak up, he will know that this type of activity is not acceptable to the residents. At his town-hall meeting Saturday, Mr. Panetta stated that he would be meeting with the Border Patrol. If everyone with concerns gives Mr. Panetta a call, he will be meeting with the Border Patrol knowing fully what our opinions are. Mr. Panetta may be reached at 649-3555. The Village is our home, and we all have a right to feel safe in our own home.

Sally Willis-Snyder
Carmel Valley

The Sun's investigation of the incident has not been able to determine whether the bullet hit the fleeing car or not.—The Ed.

If Desal Wins, It'll be No on the Dam

Whether the community can afford to finance both a new Carmel River dam and a desalination plant, even though a consultant firm so indicates, is a moot point. The board should not be sanguine at this time. There are those who argue that the community will not vote to finance a dam in any circumstance. Even if that is true, I believe those who understand the multiple environmental and economic benefits of a dam deserve as vote on it.

The process most likely to successfully get approval for a new dam, if other projects are to be included, is one that presents the dam by itself to the electorate to keep total costs down. Such approval should be gotten before approval for funding a desalination plant is requested. Should the desalination project be constructed before the voters have approved the dam, the dam will never be built.

The State Water Resources Control Board was advised that the primary reason the Zone 11 advisory committee and other community leaders urged formation of the district was that it was found that the Corps of Engineers multiple purpose dam would be far too expensive and that the Public Utilities Committee agreed with Cal-Am that it did not have the capital structure to construct a dam on its own. Because of this, the Resources Control Board was told, failure to build the dam for whatever reason, would likely result in the dissolution of the water district. The board should also consider this carefully.

Edwin B. Lee
Carmel

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Roseth to Take Over

Diane White Quits as Planning Chief; Takes Northwest Post

By Isabelle Hall

After searching for a job for about a year, Planning Director Diane White will leave Carmel to take a larger post in the City of Mercer Island, Wash., in January. Associate Planner Brian Roseth will succeed her on an acting basis.

Her departure from the department follows just seven months after Doug Schmitz left the city administrator's position for a post in Lake Oswego, Ore. White had worked with Schmitz in Belleview, Wash., and followed him to Carmel nine years ago.

She said she would work until Nov. 20 and then be on call as needed for meetings until the end of the year, assuming her new job as manager of the Department of Development Services with broader responsibilities and a staff of 20 on Jan. 1. The Carmel Planning and Building Department was cut from nine to six people when a scaled-back budget was passed a month ago.

DIANE WHITE

"Mercer Island is an affluent community with a lot of similarities to Carmel," White, 44, said in an interview. "Over 50 percent are college educated and the median age is increasing. It's 41 compared to 53 in Carmel."

"Mercer Island is 700 vacant lots instead of 70 (as in Carmel) and drainage is a big issue," she added. "They had rationing this summer after a drought." The city of 20,000 which covers six-square-mile Mercer Island in the middle of Lake Washington is approached by floating bridges and has its own Hatton Canyon controversy along I90, White said.

She will earn $67,000 in the new job compared to $65,800 but said the wage and benefits package had not been worked out yet. In Carmel, it amounted to about 35 percent of her salary.

White said she will leave her husband, Ralph, a Salinas planner who was laid off in that city's budget cutbacks, here until their 11-year-old daughter, Anne, a sixth grader at Santa Catalina School, has finished the year. A former real estate agent, he might resume that career when he and their daughter join White, she said.

White said she came in second out of 250 applicants for a planning position in Kirkland, Wash., a city of 40,000, which decided to hire someone already on the staff. She had another offer in her pocket when she negotiated with Mercer Island.

"I had an offer about a week before the Mercer Island offer," she said. "It was a very attractive offer out of local government, and when I heard there was only one night meeting every two months my eyes lit up. It was with a big public utility but it would have been a very different life style in a rural situation."

White, like Schmitz, has been a controversial figure in Carmel due to the power of her position. Local developers have told the *Sun* from time to time they were reluctant to speak out for fear of retaliation. But Paul Laub, an Ocean Avenue property owner, sued the city in a series of running disputes over business licenses and use permits and then founded "Freedom of Speech," a tabloid, to vent his anger

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ENJOYING THE HALLOWEEN PARADE, Planning Director Diane White adjusts her daughter Anne's cowgirl hat in the middle of Ocean Avenue.

Sun photos by Isabelle Hall

Roseth to Be Acting Planning Chief

Brian Roseth, an associate planner and second in command to Carmel Planning Director Diane White the last four years, will take over the department on an acting basis when she leaves later this month.

Roseth, 38, has worked in the department since 1983 when he said he was hired as a student intern for the summer.

"I look at it as an important responsibility, and I'm very honored by the trust that the City Council, the Planning Commission and the staff have shown in offering the position to me," Roseth said. "It's only a temporary measure until we get a new city manager."

Roseth likened his promotion to the situation of Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio who stepped in to fill the vacancy when Doug Schmitz left in March, subsequently deciding he did not want the job on a fulltime basis.

Asked if he would seek the job permanently, Roseth said, "I have no idea at this time. I don't know whether I'm going to enjoy it or not. I'm in the same position as Greg. That's a decision the new city manager will have to make."

A native of La Cresenta in Southern California, Roseth obtained his B.S. from the University of California at Davis and an M.A. in city and regional planning from CalPoly at San Luis Obispo.

After working in the summer of 1983 on a survey of two-story houses at a time when the city was concerned about the design of single family houses, Roseth was asked by Schmitz and Planning Director Bob Griggs to stay on as an assistant planner for the rest of the year. He said a fulltime position was created the following year.

In recent years, Roseth's assignments have been to focus on such regional and long range planning issues as Carmel's relationship with the Water Management District, the Transportation Agency for Monterey and the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District.

He also has been the staff assistant to the Ad Hoc Parking Committee, the committee that created a Specific Plan for Block 45, a walled residential area in the northeast part of the city, and a committee studying the annexation of Rio Park. He said the Rio Park issue would be brought to the council for policy guidance in December.

"A Smaller Pool Every Time"

Water Production Limits Assailed

The water management district's decision to limit water production sharply two years ago came in for pointed criticism Thursday night from one board member and the head of Cal-Am Water Co. who charged not all the water that is available is being used.

Mayor David Pendergrass of Sand City, appointed to the seven-member board to represent the peninsula cities, attacked the so-called allocation environmental impact report (EIR) during a discussion of the staff's computer simulation of the Carmel River. The EIR set a production limit of 16,477 acre-feet (AF) a year by Cal-Am until new water supplies become available and found that the district had allocated more water than could be produced without causing environmental damage.

Results of the computer simulation were presented by the staff when the board took up the issue of how much of any so-called "new water" that is developed must be placed in a drought reserve.

"Excuse the word, but this is just part of the game that I believe we're (the water district) playing," said Pendergrass, when some of his fellow directors challenged the accuracy of the model. "We're making artificial assumptions that there is so much water available and no more. I don't agree with that (the EIR).

"Now, we're squirming and murming trying to back out of it. We choose the wrong alternative," insisted Pendergrass, who was not on the board when the allocation EIR was adopted in 1990.

Larry Foy, general manager of Cal-Am, took up Pendergrass' criticism of the production limits. As he has before, he told directors that 6,800 AF of water was available for use in a drought reserve in the upper Carmel Valley and an additional 20,000 AF could be produced from the lower aquifer if directors so chose.

"You set the pool smaller every time," Foy said. "The parameters that you set are not true life. You're choosing not to use water that's available."

Prompting the discussion was Water Resources Manager Darby Fuerst's explanation of the results of the river simulation which suggested that in the last drought, directors moved to rationing some two years quicker than necessary.

Most directors clearly did not like hearing that. Director Dick Heuer said, "I wouldn't want to use that model to make decisions and decide what we should put in the drought reserve."

"I thought we were developing a better tool to make decisions" agreed director Fran Farina. "I want a tool that is going to help us."

For his part, Chairman Dale Hekhuis challenged Fuerst to "list all the assumptions that you have made. List them on a piece of paper, so we can see if there should be some modification of those assumptions."

Sticking by the results of the computer

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Record County Turnout

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county vote to 40.9 for the GOP's Bruce Herschensohn. In the race for a two-year seat, former San Francisco Mayor Diane Feinstein got 59 percent of the Monterey vote to 34.5 percent for incumbent Republican John Seymour.

County voters generally concurred with their colleagues throughout the state when it came to rejecting most propositions on the statewide ballot.

By a 60 percent majority, county voters helped pass Prop. 164 which established term limits on future service in the U. S. House and Senate. They also voted 62 percent to 37 percent in favor of Prop 163 which will end the taxes on snack foods and newspapers.

Winning a ninth House term, Panetta turned back Republican Bill McCampbell of Pebble Beach by a 68-27 percent margin in the county. Mellow captured 56 percent of the county vote against Republican Edward Laverone in the race for the 15th district Senate seat, while Farr got 55 percent of the ballots against Whitman in the race for the 27th assembly seat.

Registrar Brad Clark reported an identical 74.6 percent of registered voters cast ballots in both Carmel and the fifth supervisorial district. Carmel counted 3,001 voters and the fifth district 27,100.

SHERIFF'S LOG

SOUTH COAST. The manager of Esalen reported receiving a letter demanding a $40,000 refund from a man who otherwise threatened to "shoot up" the institute. 10/25.

CARMEL. A man complained someone broke into his 1986 Isuzu Impulse while it was parked outside his Trevis Way home and stole the passenger side arm rest. 10/25.

Porsche Hubcaps Stolen

CARMEL. A woman who lives in Mission Fields reported someone stole the hubcaps off her 1969 Porsche. 10/25.

CACHAGUA. A woman reported people had been trespassing on her 40-acre Cachagua property in the past. 10/27.

VILLAGE. A man who lives on Paso Hondo complained that he was disturbed by tree-trimmers across the street. 10/28.

CACHAGUA. A Salinas woman said someone broke into her cabin at Syndicate Camp some time between October of 1991 and May of 1992 and took a chain saw and a wheel barrow. 10/28.

CARMEL RANCHO. An employee of Thunderbird Bookstore reported having a shoplifter in custody. 10/28.

Moped Pesters Neighbor

VILLAGE. A woman who lives on Ford Road said a neighbor boy was annoying her by riding his moped on her property. 10/28.

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Carmel Valley Road reported her neighbor's dogs barked all day. 10/28.

BIG SUR. A woman reported her trailer at Big Sur Campground was burglarized between 10/1 and 10/20. 10/29.

SOUTH COAST. A Monterey man said his aluminum boat, which he stored at the beach at Yankee Point had been stolen about six months ago. 10/29.

VILLAGE. A man said he returned to his Panetta Road home and found the door wide open, but nothing seemed amiss. 10/29.

$10 Glasses Shoplifted

RIO ROAD. A 59-year-old Palo Colorado Canyon man was cited for shoplifting a $10 pair of reading glasses from Longs Drugs. A deputy said he bought and paid for $43 worth of other items. 10/29.

CACHAGUA. A woman reported the security gate at Asoleado and Cachagua Roads had been vandalized. 10/30.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Whitman Circle said a CD player and stereo equipment was stolen from his car over night.10/30.

CARMEL. A van and two cars were reported vandalized during the night. Nothing was taken from the van, a duffel bag full of books was taken from one car but left beside it and a camera and 12 cassette tapes were taken from the second car. 10/31.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Via Mar Monte reported her home had been burglarized. 10/31.

$1,000 Candlesticks Taken

CARMEL. A man reported two candlesticks valued at $1,000 had been stolen from his home on Highway 1 some time during the previous week. 1-/31.

CARMEL. An Alameda woman reported the theft of jewelry valued at $1,525 from her room at Carmel River Inn. 10/31.

VALLEY. Employees said they had headed off a frequent trespasser at the 20,000-acre property. Deputies returned the man to his Monterey home. 10/31.

VALLEY. A man reported seeing a nude man "running around" his home on Carmel Valley Road. Deputies investigated and learned the man was a guest at a nearby home and was doing his laundry in the nude. They told him to put his clothes on. 0/31.

CARMEL RANCHO. A security company reported finding a copier on the north side of Carmel Rancho Boulevard, leading to an investigation which discovered that two nearby dentists' offices had been burglarized. A deputy said tool marks were found on both doors. 10/31.

VILLAGE. A man reported his mailbox had been smashed. 10/31.

Kirk Creek Car Burglary

SOUTH COAST. Two San Francisco men reported their car was burglarized while parked at Kirk Creek with a CD player, cash, cassette tapes and biking gloves being stolen. Entry was made to the vehicle with a "slim jim," deputies said. 11/1.

CARMEL. A woman said someone threw a rock through the window of her Trevis Way home. 11/1.

VILLAGE. A woman said her vehicle was shot several times with paint balls while parked on Paso Cresta Halloween night. 11/1.

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Schulte Road complained she had been beaten by her live-in boyfriend. Deputies said they would seek a warrant for his arrest. 11/1.

Volunteers Will Clean Beach

Carmel residents who want to help the city out in a time of a budget squeeze will undertake their first monthly beach cleanup Tuesday at 10 a.m. Organized by the Carmel Residents Association, volunteers will meet at the bottom of Ocean Avenue to rake the beach and pick up debris.

PEOPLE WERE LINED AROUND THE BLOCK Sunday to buy tri-tips, chicken and hot dogs to help the Carmel Fire Department pay for a used engine and equipment. Fire Prevention Specialist Art Black said, "We haven't finished counting yet but it looks like we got over $1,000 and we ran out down to the last hot dog." Among the volunteers who did all the cooking were from left to right, Capt. George Covell, Battalion Chief Tim Connell, Fireman Robert Bradshaw and Capt. Dave Tedrow. The event was held on Ocean Avenue at Devendorf Park. The goal is $7,500. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Pescadero Canyon Land Swap Deal Falls Apart

Negotiations to trade city-owned land for a building lot on Pescadero Canyon fell apart last week when property owners asked for more than the City of Carmel was willing to give. The outlook for finding another parcel to trade had narrowed to two sites, according to officials.

Mayor Ken White said he wanted to continue the matter "to give us the opportunity to look at two other sites they've expressed an interest in." City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio said the two were left from five originally thought possible by Tescher/Levette Development Co. for a trade.

Planning Director Diane White said the owners of a right of way over the unimproved portion of Ninth Avenue on Mission Street wanted the city to give them an adjacent lot on Junipero in return for giving up their rights of way. The Mission Street lot was to be traded in return for the Pescadero property the firm owns on the environmentally sensitive canyon.

Chris Tescher said he had changed the design of a house proposed for the Mission Street lot to please the neighbors. The adjacent properties are owned by David Roman and Gabriel and Karen Fazzini.

"One of the neighbors was concerned about the design of the house, and we basically worked with them," Tescher told the *Sun*. "We did go along and try to help the city. We did offer legal help. We're disappointed, and they're disappointed. It's the city's obligation to go out and secure title. It's not in our court. We're not the ultimate decision maker."

D'Ambrosio had been directed by the City Council to negotiate a trade for the city right of way which he said was appraised at about $290,000.

The private property owners would have received tax credits from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in return for deeding the city the rights to the land so it, in turn, could deed the land to Tescher/Levett in return for their lot at Second Avenue between Monte Verde and North Camino Real. Whatever tax credits they got would be up to them and the IRS, D'Ambrosio said. The neighbors adjacent to the end of Ninth Avenue own rights of way to the center line of the city easement on the 50 x 200-foot property.

The idea for a trade originated with former City Administrator Doug Schmitz, according to Tescher. He said it was suggested nearly two years ago when he first brought plans for development of the 24,000-square foot canyon parcel to the Planning Commission for approval.

The commission approved a Negative Declaration for the lot and gave the firm a use permit to allow the Council time to decide what it wanted to do. Without any funds to buy the land, a swap was approved if details could be worked out.

Meanwhile, the Negative Declaration was appealed by Noel Mapstead in behalf of Friends of Pescadero Canyon, a newly formed group. The appeal has been continued three times pending action on a land swap. Both the land swap and the appeal were on the original City Council agenda Tuesday. The appeal was continued pending action on the trade which fell through Friday.

The outlook for a trade on some other parcels of city land was so dim that White said she had instructed the appeal to be put back on the agenda for the December council meeting.

The other city parcels considered possible for a trade were the end of Ninth Avenue on both the east side of Junipero and another site in the northwest end of the city.

Garage Rental Is Approved in Carmel

The Planning Commission voted 5-2 Oct. 28 for a group of subordinate unit permits sought by owners who do not live on the premises over the complaints of one man who said garages should not be allowed to be rented for housing.

Fred Hancazic said Inez Sellers' rental of a garage at Santa Rita between 3rd and 4th Avenues "runs down the neighborhood. You should never rent out a garage. That's where the car belongs. Other neighbors should not be punished by having washing machines and gas dryers sitting out next to the house."

He said Mrs. Inez, owner of the property, lives in Walnut Creek, and he understood subordinate use permits would not be granted unless the main property was owner-occupied.

"That's one of the big issues that was before the (city) council," Planning Director Diane White explained. "Forty percent of the units were not occupied. The council thought it would be a disincentive to register if they had to be owner-occupied. They only have to be occupied if the property is sold."

"Would you want someone living in a garage next to you?" Hancazic asked. "That's not why I bought my house in Carmel." Nine subordinate units were approved with Commissioners Carl Livingston and Melanie Billig voting no on the Inez' application.

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Board Holds Out Moratorium Relief to Specific Projects

A small office building in Carmel Valley Village may soon get a water permit—two years after its construction was stalled by the water management district's building moratorium because of the county's more stringent planning rules.

"I got caught in the middle," Valley contractor Dan Saxton said of his proposed project on Carmel Valley Road. "I've been waiting, and waiting and waiting. It's gone on too long."

After hearing his and other appeals, including one from Supervisor Karen Strasser Kauffman, the board tentatively voted Thursday night to provide relief to as many as 20 county residents and five in Carmel who claim they were unfairly caught when the moratorium was imposed in January of 1991.

In a letter to the board, Strasser Kauffman said the County Planning Department would not allow applicants to apply for a water permit until their applications were fully complete. In contrast, she wrote, "any city resident could come to the district with a rough plan, pay the connection charge and get a permit before the (moratorium)."

Brian Roseth, a planner for Carmel, told the board, however, that his city imposed similar planning requirements and estimated that five applications had been deemed complete by the city, but had not yet been scheduled for public hearing.

"Those people were left high and dry," he said. "I urge you not to limit (your relief measure) to the county."

Board members agreed, voting unanimously to direct the legal counsel to bring a final ordinance providing specific conditions for relief back for board action Nov. 16.

Saxton told of his frustration, knowing the moratorium was set to begin but being unable to get on the final Planning Commission agenda in 1989 because he couldn't comply with a 21-day waiting period for his proposed 6,000-square-foot office building.

Ten projects in the county that had been held up by the moratorium were additions or remodels that now probably will be able to proceed under eased remodeling rules allowing up to 10 so-called fixture-units to be added, the staff told the board.

In addition to those and Saxton's building on the vacant lot next to the Grapevine Liquor Store, the other projects in the county that were caught by the moratorium included seven new single family homes, three single family homes including guest houses and the long-stalled Mahroom condominium project in Carmel Knolls.

Roseth said the projects in Carmel which should qualify for relief included four single family homes and the Murphy condominium project on Junipero.

Strasser Kauffman said the county, thinking the moratorium would be short-lived had urged applicants to "hold off," but as the delay has stretched out to nearly two years, "it has become a severe hardship for many of them."

General Counsel David Laredo, proposing the outline of a relief ordinance for the board, said it should expire on July 1, but during the board's debate, director Jim Hughes, noting that financing often takes time to obtain, suggested an end date of Dec. 31. On the final vote, the board went along with Hughes.

Laredo drafted a set of criteria for the board to consider in determining which projects should get relief from the moratorium.

Among them, a project must have essentially completed the planning process by Dec. 31, 1990, but have been delayed in filing for a water permit by planning rules requiring a prior water authorization from either the city or county.

The specifications Laredo drew up also provided that any additional water use by projects using the special relief measure must be debited against the future water allocation of the jurisdiction in which they were located.

ALL DRESSED UP, but no parade to go to, students at Tularcitos School wore the costumes in their classrooms and under the porches at the school Friday after light rain caused the traditional Halloween parade down Carmel Valley Road to be cancelled. A total of .29 of an inch of moisture was recorded from the showers in the Village.

Showers Wash Out Village Parade

Light showers dropped just over a quarter of an inch of rain on Carmel Valley Village Oct. 30—just enough to wash out Tularcitos School's traditional Halloween parade.

Shortly before the 12:30 p.m. start of the parade, rain fell fairly hard, causing the cancellation and leaving the elementary children all dressed up in their costumes and nowhere to go—except from classroom to classroom and under the porches at the school.

Village Weather observer Graham Matthews measured .29 from the storm which moved in from the north. That brought total moisture for the Village to .51 of an inch for the rain-year which began July 1.

Average rainfall by Halloween in the Village is 1.14 inches, and by the same time last year, 1.38 already had fallen.

Down the coast, at Yankee Point, some residents measured up to .55 from the Halloween storm, which moved out of the area almost as quickly as it arrived, leaving skis mostly sunny for Carmel's traditional birthday-Halloween parade. It didn't get underway until 4 p.m.

Council Divides 3-2 Again on Zoning Changes, Referendum Possible

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White and Councilmen Phil Coniglio and Bob Fischer. White had taken the same position at the Oct. 20 session but reserved the right to change his mind unless he was satisified about mitigations.

Also approved on first reading were changes in the General Plan and zoning ordinance to reflect the new CC boundary and expanded uses that will allow seven new uses in the SC zone: specialty food stores, antique stores, cigar stores, art dealers, telemarketing, tour operator offices and arts and crafts.

"I was looking for a compromise," Livingston said in a brief explanation of her vote against expanding the uses. "I could vote either for the line to Seventh Avenue or new uses. I couldn't support both."

"The mayor kind of cut us all off," said David Maradei, president of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA). "We respect that. He kind of killed all public comment because we had restated our position several times and had asked for a ballot measure in at least an advisory capacity. That was just ignored by the mayor and the council.

"Our position is that we are going to accept the decision of the council, and I guess we'll have to watch to see if anyone develops a referendum. The board isn't interested in dividing the community, but we think it was an improper decision and based not on land use but on who owned the land and that we think is bad government. It was a close call on the council."

In a written statement, Alan Williams, representing the Eastwood Building whose zoning problems sparked the lengthy study, said, "We believe that this action will eliminate some of the inequities of the past, help promote a helthy balanced business district to support the amenmities we residents enjoy while not compromising the unique environemnt of our city."

At the Oct. 20 session, CRA board member Linda Anderson called for an election in March as the only way to settle the dispute. City Clerk Jeanne Behemer said this would cost about $6,000 and a special election would cost about $10,000.

White said his concerns about the Negative Declaration were allayed by Planning Director Diane White's report that impacts of traffic and parking feared initially had been reduced by the removal of certain proposed uses in the residential and limited commercial districts. She noted the final approval also was to keep the existing three commercial zones instead of the two proposed by the commission and that proposed retail uses in the RC district were eliminated, all of which reduced the impact.

But Brooks complained, "We have not been presented with any new mitigations. There is very little here to mitigaate increases in the Central Commercial zone to Seventh Avenue and also the added uses."

City Attorney Don Freeman said the impacts were too speculative under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to address.

"If you accept that premise," Brooks said. "I have a hard time accepting that premise," agreed Livingston.

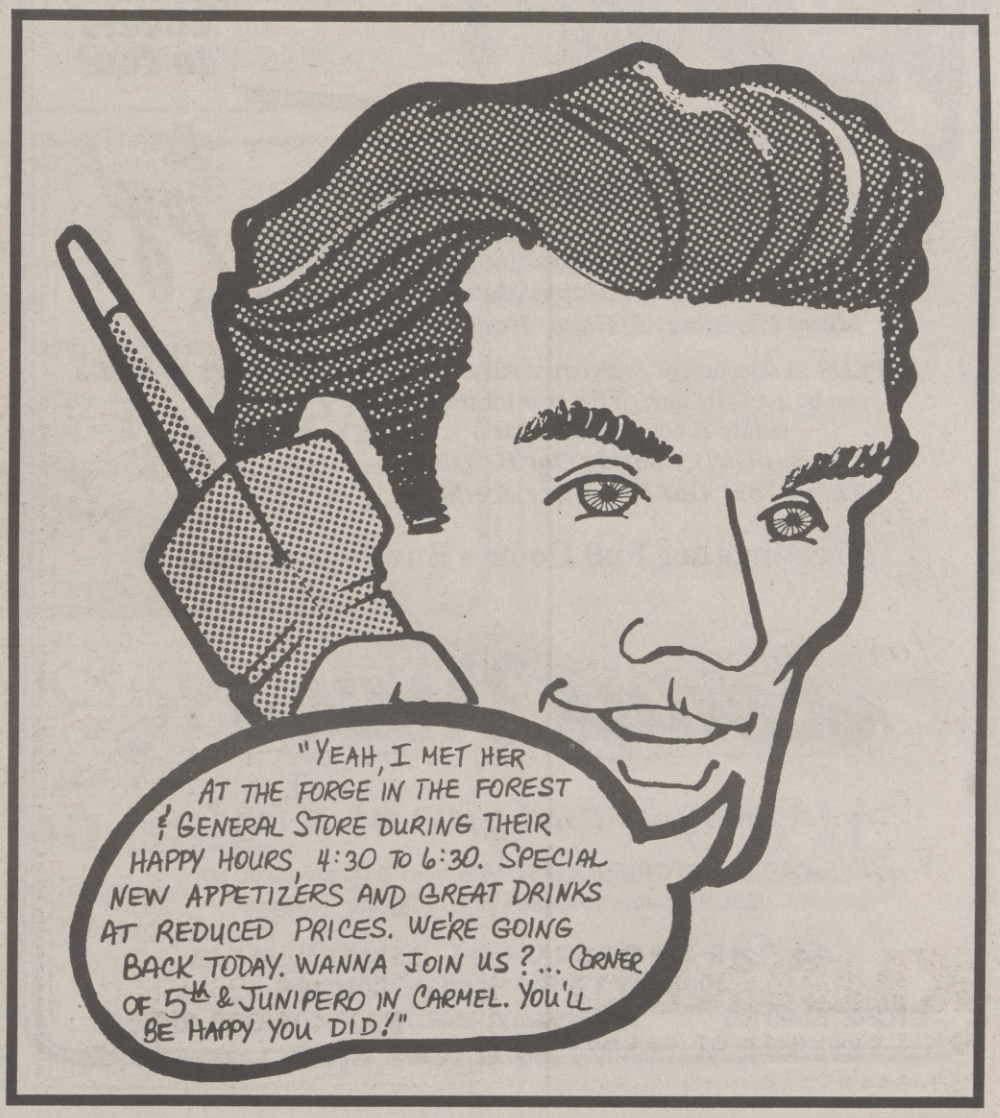
"We're changing zones," Brooks said. "How are we mitigating those changes."

Brooks proposed that the changes be mitigated by retiring the uses on the third floor of the huge Carmel Plaza shopping center at Ocean Avenue and Junipero and rezoning them as offices or apartments.

The mere expression of an opponents' fears and concerns are not sufficient to prove substantial change, Freeman told her. "There has to be concrete evidence in the record about the effects of traffic and parking."

Sharon Lawrence read an excerpt from a letter she said had ben sent to the council and was "circulating around town and gotten people really stirred up." The letter, she said, claimed the the CRA board was telling members that Glenn and Marian Leidig, whose property at San Carlos and Seventh, benefits from the change in the CC zone, were going to put in a T-shirt shop.

Maradei said his group had seen an unsigned copy and "many of the allegations are simply untrue."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Five Jobs Cut by Water District; Conservation Takes Biggest Hit

Five jobs were lopped off the water management district payrolls Thursday night in the wake of property tax income cutbacks resulting from the state budget crisis.

Three of the five cuts were in the conservation program staff, as recommended by the board's Administrative Committee. With Director Dick Heuer opposed, the cutback to 24 total staff positions was approved 6-1 despite his protest that "conservation is the most successful thing the district has done."

Before the vote, other directors insisted the conservation program itself was not being abandoned, but would be reorganized and continued under different supervision, some of it by General Manager Jim Cofer.

Cofer estimated that the action would save about $200,000 a year in salaries and benefits and cut conservation program spending by $58,000.

The board acted after a discussion in which the total income shortfall to the district—income tax reductions along with lower user fee connections—were estimated potentially to be as high as nearly a half million dollars. In addition, the board was warned that the state budget might be under even more pressure next year.

From the water demand division, which directed conservation efforts, the manager and two conservation representatives will be let go effective Dec. 31, but will be given a month's leave of absence prior to that time.

Also cut were a secretary's position in administration and a water resources technician, who had announced his intent to resign Nov. 6. He would not get the month's leave.

Noting that the district usually ended its fiscal year with some budgeted but unspent funds, Heuer argued the decision on cutting the staff should be delayed until the district did its mid-year budget review.

But Director Ken Long, a member of the Administration Committee along with directors Jim Hughes and Fran Farina, moved to make the cuts, saying state budget cutbacks might hit the district even harder next year. "It's a very difficult and trying time," he said.

Supervisor Sam Karas seconded his motion. "We have to face reality," he said. He predicted the state budget shortfall next year might be twice the $4-$5 billion Long mentioned and noted that the loss of the 7th Infantry Division from Fort Ord would keep the area in difficult economic times.

"The Administration Committee debated long and hard on this," Hughes said. "You don't like to loose anybody but $300,000 (in income losses) may be on the conservative side.

"We can't go on with business as usual and add more charges to ratepayers." Hughes added. "That would be a big mistake."

He was referring to an alternative to the cutbacks—a proposal that the district raise its overall users charges to offset some $260,000 in property tax reductions.

The board's action on the staff cuts is final, but ordinances reallocating some users fees from the conservation program to its mitigation program must be finalized at the board's Nov. 16 meeting.

Heuer maintained that the district needed to maintain the people experienced in running the water devices retrofit programs.

"If desal is not approved, retrofitting is the only way we have to go until we bring a dam on line," he said.

Earlier in the evening, Cofer had reported that residents on the peninsula still were achieving about a 25 percent savings in water consumption compared to the base year of 1988. Heuer noted that 25 percent conservation translated into 3,300 acre-feet of water a year.

Heuer Withdraws Son's Name

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whom he often is at odds, especially on proposed construction of a desalination plant—"was trying to impose his judgment" on him. "It's not up to me to second guess another director's appointments," he said.

Heuer added that no money would be involved since the committee members served as volunteers.

"But they will play a key role in our financing decisions," Hekhuis said. "That could be more important than money."

All the other directors except Fran Farina, a frequent Heuer ally on the board on many issues, spoke up in support of Hekhuis' position. Most were careful not to imply any wrongdoing by Heuer or his son, but raised the question of appearances.

Typical was the comment of director Jim Hughes of Pacific Grove. "I share some of Chairman Hekhuis' concerns," he said. "..The appearance to the public is not good—the appearance is somewhat tainted."

In the end, director Ken Long said he couldn't vote to ratify the list of advisors if Rick Heuer's name remained on it. At that point, Heuer said he would agree to withdraw it.

He was then asked if he wanted to select another member. Heuer declined, saying "The committee already has gotten started..." Each board member was asked to appoint two members to the group. Heuer's other nominee was Judith Gibbon of the League of Women Voters.

Supervisor Sam Karas, who said during the discussion he had seen first hand instances of where relatives "forget about the best interests of the community," also replaced one of his appointees. He named Don Boston of Rancho Canada to replace Tom Glidden, general manager of Carmel's La Playa Hotel, explaining Glidden had found that he could not serve.

The board then voted unanimously to ratify the makeup of the committee which has been asked to answer two key questions:

1. How should the revenue sources, user fees and connection charges, be proportioned for financing new water supply projects, either a new dam, a desalination plant or both.

2. Should the connection charges go up each year, and if so, by how much.

A consultant hired to help devise the financing for the water district, estimated the construction costs alone, in 1992 dollars, at $108 million. But he said that was well within the community's reach if it decided it wanted to do both projects, although financing costs on top of construction costs could more than double the total cost.

Production Limits Assailed

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simulation, Fuerst explained they were based on the 91-year historical record of rainfall, runoff and water use from the Carmel River. He had run the simulation to see how much water should be held in reserve to meet the district's stated goal of having no more than 10 percent voluntary rationing during a repeat of the worst drought on record, from 1987 to 1991. He called that "an exceptionally high standard to meet" and suggested directors might want to relax it somewhat.

The simulation concluded that once the long-delayed Paralta well in Seaside and the Pebble Beach reclamation project are on stream, an adequate drought reserve basically would exist.

After criticizing the model, directors took no action on establishing the drought reserve.

Asked about directors' reaction to the model, Foy told the *Sun* later that the result "was certainly not saying what they want it to say—but I'm not sure what they do want it to say."

Praising Fuerst's professionalism, Foy said that the model also showed that in the 1976-1977 drought, just 10 percent rationing would have gotten the district through the crisis. Instead, directors at that time imposed a stringent, 50-gallon a day limit on water use by an individual.

Referring to Pendergrass' criticism, Foy noted that the 16,744 AF allocation finally accepted by the directors was not included in a draft EIR and was specified in the final EIR although it was lower than any level in the draft.

As for the directors' decisions on rationing in the drought from 1987 to 1991, Foy said they made the decision based on the information they had available, but the model indicates they went into rationing too early. "I can understand why they would want to be conservative," he said.

Directors of the district have limited pumping in the upper Carmel Valley to limit environmental damage and have resisted calls to produce more water out of the lowest part of the aquifer for fear of causing salt water intrusion.

Foy said another reclamation project could be undertaken to reclaim water which then could be injected into the lower aquifer to create a barrier between the fresh and salt water and allow more of the storage to be used.

Brian Roseth a planner from the City of Carmel, told directors that "the model shows you have more flexibility than you thought you did."

General Manager Jim Cofer told the *Sun* after the meeting that the staff was thinking of scheduling a workshop some time this month so that members of the board could better understand how computer models work.

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"Absolutely not," he responded. "We're extremely close to a resolution," He said his department was still working with the Carmel Valley Road Improvement Action Committee on some problem areas, but he thought the remaining issues could be resolved.

George Divine, assistant public works director, said, "I don't see any major storm, but there will be a lot of details to work out for sure."

He said All Saints' Episcopal School had not attended any of the information meetings, but just in the past few days had come to him with concerns.

"We will be glad to work with them even though they are bringing their concerns at this late point," he said. The school is in an area where two westbound and one eastbound lane are proposed. Devine said the Mid Valley Fire Department, Carmel Valley Manor and Carmelo school are also in that stretch, so it may not be the best segment of road to use for the passing lane.

Devine said a lot of work would need to be done modifying driveways which enter the road, and he would be looking at the road design "tree by tree" in an effort to preserve as many old Valley oaks as possible.

Ileene Crane-Franks, a Cachagua resident and Carmel Valley real estate broker, was one of the few who spoke who voiced her objections to the three-lane plan.

"Unlike the other people her today, I'm not in complete agreement with the plan," she said. "No vote was ever taken" during the Strasser Kauffman meetings on the road, Crane-Franks said. "Nothing was said about the group reaching consensus."

"Three-laning does not preclude four-laning if it's required in the future," Crane-Franks said, noting the Carmel Valley Master Plan provides for four-laning the Carmel Valley Road.

"One thing yet to be shown is what kind of improvement in service three-laning will provide," she said.

Devine said he thought the passing lanes will reduce the frustration level of the drivers who get behind slow cars on the road. "Essentially the passing lanes provide the same capacity as a four-lane," he said. A four-lane would accommodate far more development than Carmel Valley residents are willing to approve, he said.

Even land use lawyer Anthony Lombardo who has represented a number of Carmel Valley development projects was on hand to give his blessing to the three-lane project. Saying he was representing several Carmel Valley landowners, Lombardo said, "The good news is we've been able to establish a consensus in Carmel Valley."

The three-laning is less environmentally damaging than the four-laning, he said. The county should analyze what level of future development the three-laning plan will support, Lombardo said.

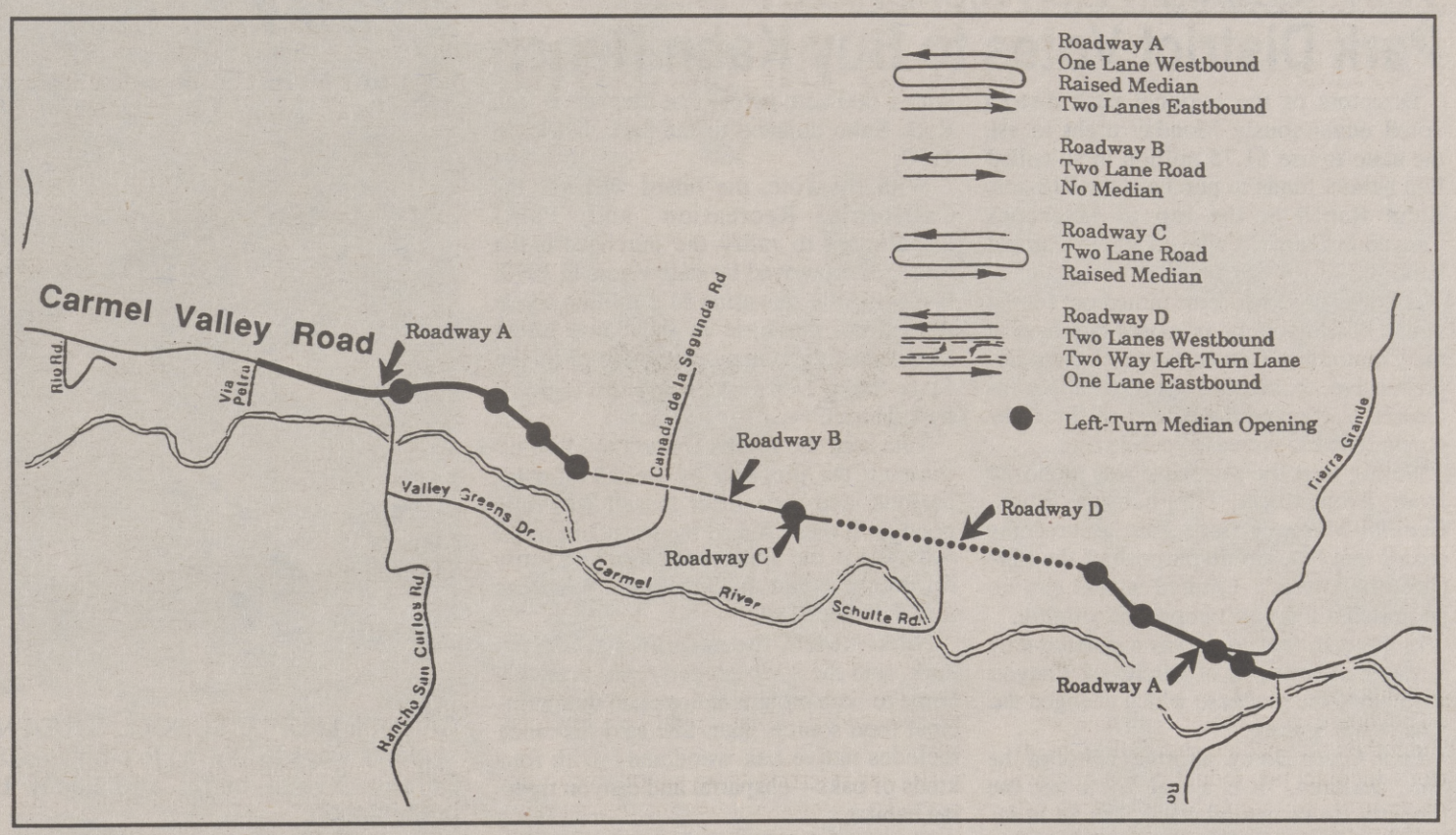
"I feel it would be appropriate for Carmel Valley to discuss a reduction in development level. Believe me, these words don't come easy."

"People in Carmel Valley don't want four-laning," said Alan Williams who owns Valley land which has development potential. "They don't have a problem getting from point A to B. They have a problem getting on and off the road." As late as the day before the hearing, Williams said he was driving the road with county staff, "identifying turn lanes by where trees were growing."

Strasser Kauffman said the Carmel Valley Master Plan recommends four-laning but it doesn't require it. "If it's not appropriate now, I don't think its appropriate ever. As far as I'm concerned, the recommendation before us today would be to do something different than four-laning, not to take a step to ultimate four-laning."

Four-laning would expand the road from its existing 40 feet in width to 90 feet, according to Gromko.

Paola Berthoin, a spokesman for the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club,questioned whether clearly marked bike lanes would be provided. Gromko responded the three-lane plan provides for an eight-foot bike lane marked with a stripe.



CITIZENS VOICED APPROVAL of a three-lane project for Carmel Valley Road during the Board of Supervisors' public hearing Tuesday. The segment A portion of the road provides one lane westbound and two lanes eastbound. It totals 2.4 miles from Via Petra to just east of Brookdale and then from Schetter Road to Berwick Drive. The B segment is a .79 mile section of two lane road with no median from Brookdale Drive to Stewart Lane. The C segment is a two lane area with a raised median from Stewart Lane to east of Meadows Road. Segment D has two lanes westbound, two-way left turn lane, and one lane eastbound. It runs for .76 miles from east of Meadows Road to Schetter Road.

Attorney Brian Finegan, who said he was representing 20,000-acre Rancho San Carlos, asked that a recommendation for county staff to work with Carmel Valley residents while continuing to develop the project be changed to local residents. He explained the change would allow residents of Cachagua and Rancho San Carlos to have a voice.

Several people suggested the building allocation system in the Carmel Valley Master Plan be changed, but Finegan said "the system is working well. There seems to be no basis to change that."

However, Dick Heuer, a Carmel Valley Road Improvement Action Committee member, said he thought an amendment to the master plan would have to be looked at "to identify a more realistic level of build-out under the plan."

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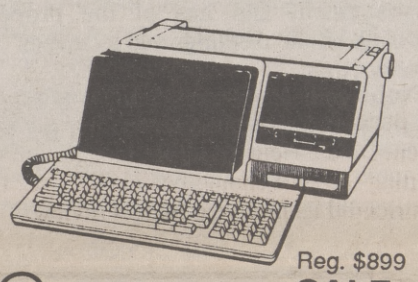

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Park District Votes to Buy Kahn Ranch

Directors of the regional park district voted unanimously Monday night to ask the state to use $1.75 million in so-called lion habitat funds to purchase the 716-acre Kahn Ranch at the top of Hitchcock Canyon in Carmel Valley to add to Garland Park.

A dozen or so residents turned out for the public hearing on the proposed purchase at the Community Center, some of them apprehensive, expressing concerns about increased traffic and the danger of fire if the purchase led to increased public use.

Noting that the purchase was proposed from Proposition 117 habitat funds, General Manager Gary Tate assured the crowd that "the prime purpose of the purchase is habitat... Limited access can be permitted if it doesn't impact on wildlife."

In the end, though, it was a statement by a couple of residents of Hitchcock Canyon in favor of the purchase which changed the tone of the hearing.

First, Grace Darcy, a former editor of the *Sun*, declared, "It is a real joy to see the property (in its natural state). I'm all in favor if you buy it and keep it as wildlife preserve." She added the alternative, should the sale not go through to the park district, would be to see "nothing but houses...if Kahn should sell to others."

Another resident, Mike Clark, echoed her sentiments. "It (the purchase) would be one of the nicest changes we could see up there, assuming we have some control (over the parcel's management)."

Tate and board members assured him that residents would have a chance to guide management and use of the property through public meetings and a citizens' advisory group.

The 716 acres abuts the east border of Garland Park and would connect the park with a 600-acre parcel that Stephen B. and Ruth Kahn donated to the park district in 1990.

With the vote, the board will ask the California Recreation and Parks Department to ratify the purchase under Prop 117, approved by state voters in 1990. It specifically sets aside $1.5 million a year for habitat purchase in the Santa Lucia Mountains, the money being shared by the State Parks Department and the regional park district.

Tate said the Kahns wanted to close escrow on the property by Dec. 31 for tax reasons, and their offer to sell was only good until then. Asked by a resident in the audience if the state could move to ratify the purchase that quickly, board members said they hoped so.

Nikki Nedeff, the naturalist at Garland Park, said the steep property was presently home to both mountain lions and their principal food source, deer. She said the ranch includes native oak woodland—with four kinds of oaks—chaparral and canyon riparian habitat.

The ranch headquarters consists of several outbuildings and cabins, and the board agreed to ask Steve Johnson, caretaker there for 13 years, to stay on at least six months while detailed plans for use of the property are worked out.

Tate suggested the ranch should continue to be grazed—it now has both goats and beef cattle running on it—to keep down the danger of fire.

This prompted Scott Hennessey, a member of the Sierra Club and a leader in the mountain lion preservation effort on the Central Coast, to ask from the audience whether the park district would take out a depredation permit to kill a lion if it killed livestock.

"It would be too bad if we had a loss from a lion," Tate said, but added the park district would accept that as part of the effort to provide habitat for lions.

Some of the distrust of the park district expressed at the start of the hearing seemed to spill over from a previous item—the board's vote to appeal a County Planning Commission denial of its plans for limited public use of its Mill Creek Preserve.

Some residents asked why they had not been advised earlier of what the district planned for Kahn Ranch. Others pressed for a definition of exactly what "limited access" would mean.

"Given the history of this organization, I'm not as trusting as some others...," said one resident, Michelle Pearson. "I don't want to go through 10 years like those people from Big Sur and then lose." Noting that there were 12, one-lane bridges on Southbank Road leading to Hitchcock Canyon, she said she wouldn't object if it were used strictly as a wildlife reserve.

She also questioned the relationship between the park district board and the Big Sur Land Trust. Park Director Zad Leavy is general counsel to the land trust.

Chairwoman Dina Stansbury defended Leavy's role, saying "Basically, we're interested in conservation... That's why we sit on this board."

Another resident asked, "Shouldn't these hearings take place before you're ready to make a decision to purchase the property?"

CARMEL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS performed skits to teach River School students ways to say no to problems. Shannon Dougherty, Ryan Travaille, Myka Boreen, Yvette Leger and Lacey Langston, all eighth graders, gave the presentation. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Middle Schoolers Help Younger Students Learn to Avoid Drugs

By Carolyn Rice

"Have your parents ever tried to get you to eat broccoli, cabbage or chopped liver or some other food you didn't like?" asked fifth grade teacher Mary Ann George. Remember how you said no and use those same refusal skills to say no to drugs, she advised fourth and fifth grade students at a drug prevention program at Carmel's River School.

George added her comments at the end of a presentation by five Carmel Middle School students who went to the elementary school to give younger students tips on how to avoid illegal drugs.

Principal Sharon Douglas said River School has never had any drug problem, but the program was designed to help prevent problems as children advance to higher grades.

Karl Pallastrini, Carmel Middle School principal, said the situation was somewhat different at his school for sixth, seventh and eighth grade students. Drugs aren't often found on campus, but off campus some middle school children have had "pretty serious problems" with drugs, he said.

Starting with skits and then moving to questions and answers, the eighth graders tried to prepare the grade school students for situations they might encounter at Middle School. Pallastrini said he believes among the overall school population experimentation with drugs may be less than in the past, but some students unsupervised during off school hours do use drugs.

The five students who talked at River School are from the Middle School Peer Counselors. Barbara Morriss, a social studies teacher who works with the Peer Counselors, said so many wanted to be part of the assembly at River, she had to draw names from a hat. Shannon Douglas, Ryan Travaille, Lacey Langston, Myka Boreen and Yvette Leger gave the presentation.

Morriss said 35 boys and 35 girls who represent all different groups and interests within Middle School are elected by their fellow students to serve as counselors. The five who came to River had met for three afternoons after school to prepare their presentation. They are trained to go to an adult if they suspect a drug problem, she said.

Morriss said, "Refusal skills are a real difficult thing to teach." She said often students are so afraid of loosing their friends, they just don't know how to say no to them.

In their skits, the older students acted out ways of saying no but still supporting their friends. For instance, when one girl invited another to go to the park to smoke, she said she did not want to do that but offered the alternative of going to her home to watch a video.

When a grade school student questioned why students take drugs, Leger said, "Some do it to look cool."

Langston said, "Some are stressed out or want attention."

"If someone was your true friend, they would understand if you said no," said Dougherty.

"Some do it to make themselves look older, but it's stupid," said Boreen.

"Not everyone who is popular does it," said Langston in response to the question, "What if you want to be popular but don't want to take drugs?"

One of the counselors said she had personally seen drugs on the campus and had seen students bring alcohol, carrying it in other than its original container.

Morriss said sometimes students bring "placebo looking things" to gain attention. But they get in just as much trouble as if they had the actual substance, she said.

When asked what happens to kids who take drugs, Travaille responded. "They mess you up. You might be a little bit crabby. You can also die."

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Model Railroads To be on Display At Crossroads

By Carolyn Rice

Allan Fenton likes model railroads. You might even call him passionate about them.

The Carmel man still remembers his first train which he received as a Christmas present when he was about 4. It was a windup model with a track which he liked to set up outside. He still has his second train which he got when he was 5 or 6—a 1932 O. Gauge Lionel electric.

Every Tuesday night, Fenton gets together with about 15 model railroaders who are as passionate as he is. They are members of the Gorre and Dapehtid Operators—a play on words for "gory and defeated."

If you would like to see some of their trains, they will be on exhibit along with trains belonging to members of Monterey and Salinas Valley Model Railroaders at the Crossroads Shopping Center this weekend. The 19th annual show will be in the enclosed mall and will be open free to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday.

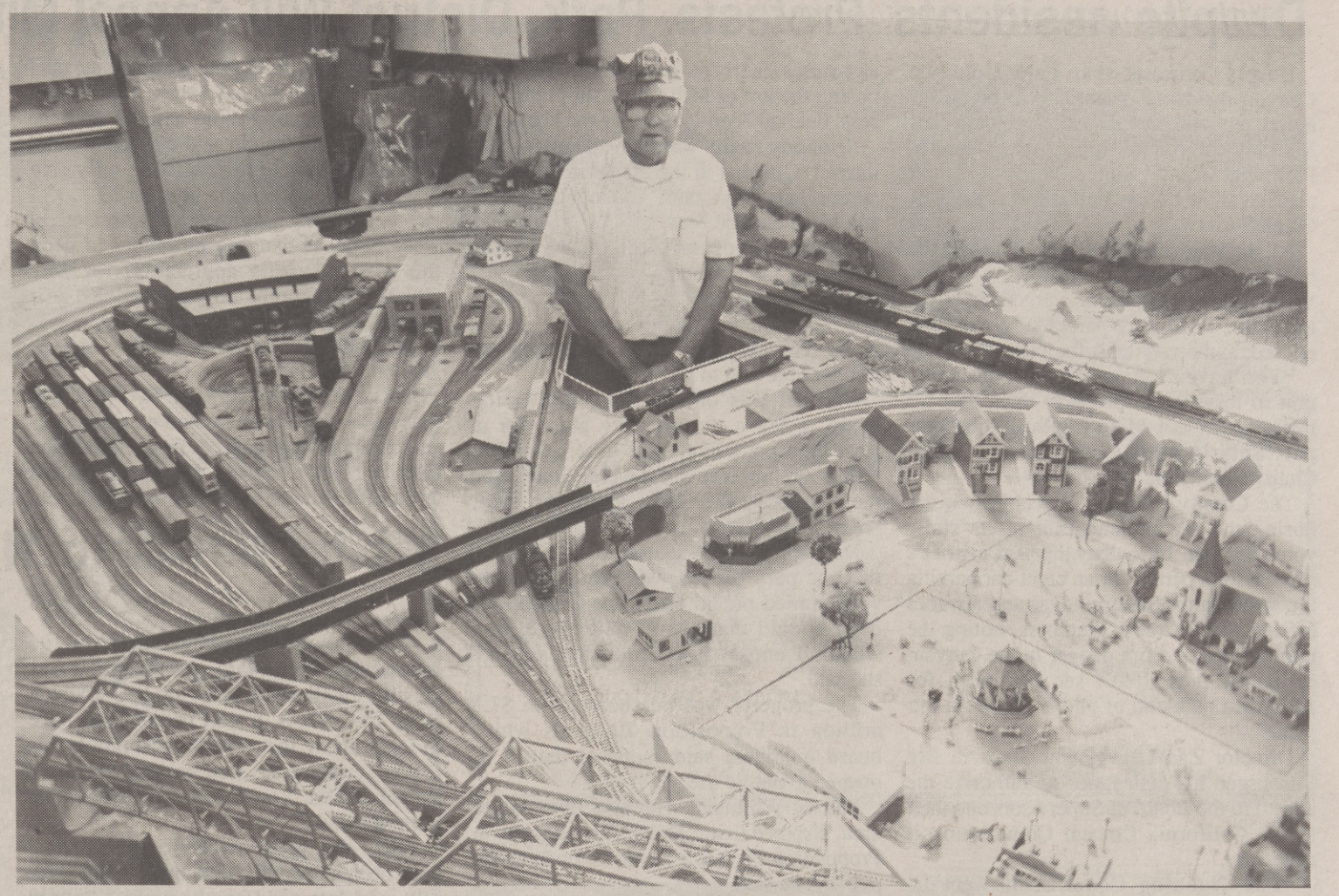
Children will be able to operate some of the exhibits, Fenton said. The model railroaders will be on hand to run and talk about their American, European and antique collector trains.

"All my life I can remember watching trains," Fenton said. "I don't know why. I don't know where it came from." No one else in his family was particularly interested in them. But his father's office was near the Sante Fe Railroad yards in Los Angeles. When he went to the office, Fenton said he would watch passenger trains. He would watch freight trains. He liked to go sit in an old funeral train car which had been used to carry a caskets to the cemetery.

Fenton retired from Pillsbury-Green Giant in May but has been working since then as a consultant. Since 1953, he procured broccoli, spinach and brussel sprouts for the frozen food division of the company.

When Fenton was a teenager, he said he and a friend used to go to San Bernadino to ride a "mixed train" to San Jacinto. Fenton said the train was called mixed because it combined stock cars with sheep and a passenger car on the end of it. Fenton and his friend would buy a roundtrip ticket and sometimes get a bonus of riding up front with the train crew.

The shelves in Fenton's home office sag from the weight of the 200 plus railroad reference books he has collected. Half of his garage is filled with a track which winds through a train yard, village complete with bank, shops, band shell and a church with a wedding party out front. High on the hills above the village, a skier is coming down the mountain while a shepherd with his flock of sheep occupy a nearby hill. A farm, livestock corrals and a country train station fill other nooks on the 9 by14 foot display.



ALLAN FENTON HAS FILLED half his garage with his model train operation. His club, the Gorre and Daphetid Operators, and members of the Monterey and Salinas Valley Model Railroaders will hold their 19th annual show at the Crossroads Shopping Center this weekend.

Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

A burnt car sits on one corner. Fenton said his son said every railroad yard he's been to has a wrecked car sitting somewhere, so he melted a plastic car in the microwave for his father.

Seventy freight cars roll around the track pulled by one of 14 engines. Others of his "maybe 25" engines are packed away, Fenton said. "They say if you have more than one, you're a collector."

Fenton said he goes to estate sales and model railroad auctions in pursuit of his trains and accessories.

Fenton said Francis Rank, a Carmel Valley resident who died last year at they age of 91, built the display. He gave it to Fenton a few years back when he was a Boy Scout leader, and the boys used it to work on merit badges. Fenton said it had to be cut into three pieces so it could moved by a pickup.

The Gorre and Daphetid Operators club has no membership list or dues, but any model railroader is welcome to come to the Tuesday night meetings which rotate between various members' homes. The club was formed by John Allen, a well-known Monterey model railroader who died in 1973 of a heart attack. A week later his railroad—so complex it took six or eight club members to operate it— was destroyed when his house burned.

"We operate, build, talk, dismantle and watch homemade and commercial railroad videos," Fenton said. Members bring their trains with them and run them on the host's layout. "People usually have a specialty," Fenton said. His is taking locomotives apart and redetailing them.

He has retirement plans to build a garden railroad in his backyard with mountains and tunnels. Some enthusiasts build overhead tracks for trains in their homes, Fenton said. "This would be an ideal room here," he said gazing upward to the vaulted ceiling in his traditionally furnished living room. His wife, Barbara, who said her hobby is knitting, made no comment.

Fenton said he has enjoyed going to model railroad conventions as far away as Calgary, London and Washington D.C. The highlight is to go on bus tours to see other model railroaders' setups, Fenton said. One man's railroad ran all through his home including across the top of his bathtub, Fenton recalled.

Fenton never worked for a railroad. "I tried to hire on Southern Pacific as a fireman, but they wouldn't take me because World War II was on, and they thought I would be drafted." Fenton said he was, and after he came back, he entered college.

Council Does Roofing About-Face; Allows Treated Wood Shingles

Admitting it made a big mistake last year mandating the use of Class A fireproofed roofing, the Carmel City Council did an about-face Tuesday night and said treated natural wood shingles were acceptable.

"I think we just flat out blew it," said Mayor Ken White. "We absolutely panicked living in a forest community after the Pebble Beach and Oakland fires."

Councilwoman Barbara Brooks said she also had changed her mind. "I now believe that requiring Class A puts an undue hardship on homeowners."

Fire Chief Bill Hill urged the council to amend the ordinance it passed earlier this year which banned the use of factory-treated natural wood shingles and shakes unless they had a half-inch underlay.

The council was warned in January that many of the old houses in Carmel could not bear the weight of such materials.

Hill also asked the council to approve the 25 percent or less exemption for roof repairs he had sought instead of the 50 percent that was approved. The reversal was approved unanimously.

"It's a compromise that we're happy with," he said. "With a Class B roof and a good fire deparment we'll be able to deal with most problems."

The issue was brought back to the council in a request from Katrina Staten who said her old house was in dire need of a new roof but using any type of material that diod not depict the natural character of Carmel would "severely detract from the aesthetics of the house."

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Despite Residents' Protests, Park District Will Appeal Mill Creek Denial

Despite protests that Palo Colorado Canyon residents' wishes were being ignored, regional park district directors voted Monday night to appeal the County Planning Commission's denial of their plans to allow limited public use of the Mill Creek Preserve.

All the residents who appeared before the board's regular meeting, held at the Carmel Valley Community Center, urged the board to let the 1,431-acre parcel stay wild and unused, at the very least for a few years.

"You haven't given proper consideration to leaving the property open space," insisted resident Mike Caplin during one particularly testy exchange with Chairwoman Dina Stansbury.

The County Planning Commission, ignoring the recommendation of its staff, voted 6-0 Oct. 14 to deny the park district's request for a permit for an eight-car parking lot, water tanks, tree removal and a trailer office at Mill Creek. Members, noting the narrow road and fire danger in the canyon, explained they didn't see any need for additional parkland or public access in the area.

Director Zad Leavy, who lives in Big Sur, urged his colleagues to authorize the appeal to the Board of Supervisors and then to the California Coastal Commission if necessary.

"The Planning Commission went directly against the Land Use Plan (and) without going for an amendment," declared Leavy. "The public has spent a lot of money on this. The 25, 30, 50 or however many residents (who oppose it) are not enough to overturn the support that went into this acquisition."

But Bill Nye, another Palo Colorado Canyon resident, noted that 7,000 petition signatures had been collected in 1989 opposing the use of Mill Creek for public access, but had been ignored by the board.

"Nobody really wants it except the park district. Citizens in the area don't feel it's appropriate," Nye said. "Make it a preserve and leave it alone."

Another resident, Norm Channell, also struck the same theme.

"You have ignored what we had to say to you and went ahead with what you wanted to do. The taxpayers and residents in the canyon urge you to reconsider."

Channel was one of those urging the board to leave the property alone for at least the time being. "Let it be a wildlife refuge or preserve for several years, and then have another look at it," he said, "maybe in 10 years."

Director Patricia Hutchins emphasized that the park district was proposing only very limited public use. "The 25 people a day—should that many want to use it—wouldn't impact Palo Colorado Canyon," she said.

The property was purchased with $1.3 million in Proposition 70 funds which board members said required that it be opened to public use.

Hillary Whitman, who also lives in the area, disputed that. "There's no language in Proposition 70 that it has to be open to the public," he said.

Caplin called the *Sun* following the meeting to claim that several of the statements Leavy made in defending the board's actions were incorrect. Among other things, he said that while Leavy said that the purchase of the property saved it from being logged, a lawsuit had stopped those plans and the logging company "was long gone" when the land was bought.

Leavy also said that without the purchase, 13 "high priced homes would have been built, creating more activity than the park will." But Caplin said that the minutes of past meetings indicated that only five homes could have been built, not 13.

The Planning Commission vote Oct. 14 was simply registering an intend to deny the park district's application for Mill Creek. The commission has scheduled a final vote for Nov. 18, after which there will be a 10-day period during which appeals may be filed.

Leavy argued there were two principal reasons he felt the board had no choice except to approve an appeal. First, he said the district must represent the wishes of all 140,000 residents who live within it, not just residents of a specific area. Second, he cited "public trust" in saying the board was bound to create a public recreation facility by decisions going back to 1972 when the Big Sur Land Use Plan was drafted. He also cited the vote on Proposition 70 in 1988, saying it got 60 percent of the vote in both the county and in Palo Colorado Canyon.

Caplin told the *Sun* there was nothing in Proposition 70 specifying that Mill Creek would be purchased and opened for public use. He also argued that the the park district already had struck a deal with the Big Sur Land Trust to purchase the Mill Creek property on its behalf prior to any vote.

White Moves to Northwest

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against city officials.

Asked about the divisiveness in the community, White said, she thought it was "institutionalized. I more or less knew it when I came. As a staff person, you have to focus above that. The biggest problem is if you get political. You become a symbol for frustration. You have to try to keep that in perspective."

Still, she said working in Carmel "has been a joy and a real challenge. I'll really miss lots and lots of people. It's been a wonderful association."

The intense, dark-haired White, who is quick with a smile, said she is leaving a different department than what she came to nine years ago.

"The Planning and Building Department functions much better," she said. "It is more professional and consistent. There is less of the old boy network."

According to White, when she came on board, no staff reports were written on any matters that came before the Panning Commission. Instead a committee of the commission "met behind closed doors and wrote a report. There was no public process. The commission didn't look at the properties. The meetings were over in about an hour."

White has a B.A. in Recreation Administration and an M.A. in City Planning, both from San Diego State University. A Navy "brat" born in Bethesda, Md., she said she had lived all over the country with her father in the military.

She worked for a year in Napa Valley as a field adviser to a Girl Scout Council after graduating in recreation. But in 1970, she helped plan the first Earth Day festivities at college and that led her into land use.

Asked about the many personnel changes on the commission during her tenure—four of them in just the last several months—White would only comment that "the whole personality of the commission changes when you change even one person. All had their own challenges."

She served under five chairmen: Sandy Swain, present Mayor Ken White, Olof Dahlstrand, Carla Ramsey and present chairman Jack Kennedy, who she said commented, "He felt like 'he was moving the deckchairs around on the Titanic' with all the recent changes on the commission."

Ramsey, who just ended six years on the commission, the last three as chairman, said, "I think Mercer Island is very fortunate to have someone of Diane's professional ability. I'm sure it will be more peaceful than the City of Carmel has been for the last few years with all the discord." Kennedy wished her well and said the commission would miss her.

After 19 years in local government with all the night meetings and politics involved, White said she had "some misgivings about continuing on but I was so impressed with the Mercer Island organization."

Leaving her husband and daughter behind for six months, she said will give her a chance to break into the new job without having to handle a major household move. She said she did not know yet what they would do about their house in Carmel.

Asked what she was proudest of during her years as Carmel Planning Director, White produced a two-page summary of accomplishments for which she credited the whole department. They ranged from updating the General Plan in 1988, the 2-1/2 year commercial zoning study, environmental impact reports on such things as the city library expansion and a beach restoration plan to a number of ordinances, support for various committees, participation in a number of intergovernmental groups and adoption of the Uniform Building Code.

Left undone is the state-mandated review of the Housing Element required every four years by the Housing Community Development (HCD).

"We're already a year behind," White said. Carmel disputed the 1990 census figures which caused some of the delay.

White said the department had worked in the past with the Carmel Foundation which has housing with certain income requirements in three locations in town. Residents have to be a member of the foundation, can't own an automobile and have certain income requirements.

Providing low-cost housing is particularly difficult in Carmel, a one-mile square city where the median cost of a house even in the present economic downturn is more than $400,000 and there are only 70 buildable lots left.

White's departure was announced at the Oct. 28 regular commission meeting by Kennedy just hours after she accepted the new job. Commissioner Lindsay Hanna expressed concern that she not leave before giving the commission a promised report on how to handle its workload in view of department staff cuts.

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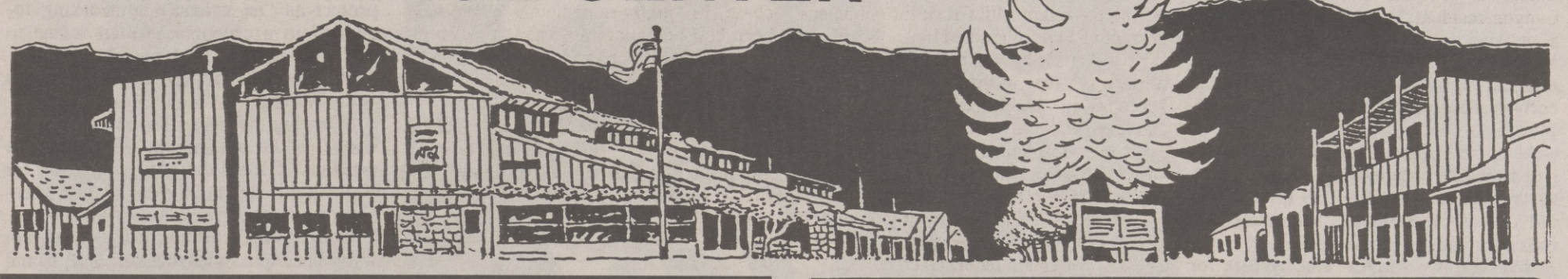

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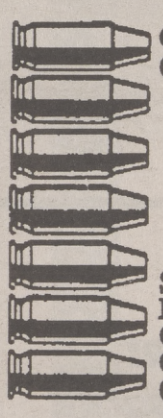

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City Gets Keys to First Murphy House at Formal Dedication

In a switch on the usual routine, Mayor Ken White Friday was given the keys to First Murphy, the 90-year-old cottage the city saved from demolition to preserve the early history of its master builder, M.J. Murphy.

About 100 people turned out for the formal dedication of the 839-square-foot Queen Anne cottage built in 1902 by the 17-year-old Murphy for his mother and sisters. It is the city's first historical building.

Honored by Mayor Ken White for their part in saving the house were Stella Biason, who gave the house to the city, former Mayor Jean Grace who found a home for it on city land, contractor Enid Sales and architect Brian Congleton, Carmel Heritage which took the project under its wing for fund-raising and Friends of Carmel Forest which donated Monterey pine seedlings.

Proudest of all was Rosalee Gladney of Carmel Valley, the daughter of M.J. Murphy, who said her last memory of being in the house was when she was about six years old. She remembered the Christmas tree that had been put up for the holidays.

Gladney presented White a huge key to the house. It is being run by volunteers under the direction of the Recreation Committee and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday on a three-month trial basis.

HOLDING THE KEYS TO THE FIRST MURPHY HOUSE, Mayor Ken White wears a big smile. At left behind are Councilwoman Barbara Brooks and Stella Biason who gave the house to the city. *Sun pholos by Isabelle Hall*

for the dedication and refreshments, donated by Friends of First Murphy which raised $100,000 to renovate the house.

Many were dressed in Halloween costume after riding in the parade.

White and his wife, Jean, and mother, Pauline, were all dressed in the clothes of the 1890's with the mayor in a straw boater and frock coat. "He looks like an undertaker," quipped the senior Mrs. White. "Only a mother could say that," said his wife.

The ebullient mayor praised the "voluntary contributions that reflect the social heritage and fabric of our village. It's a grand step towards preservation of our physical heritage."

White also hailed the completion of the project as "an example of working together" in a city which often seems to thrive on dissension, including a controversy over the $370,000 cost of First Murphy Park.

"The big news is the bathrooms are open," White announced. "Water is in the pipeline." Carmel did not get approval for water at the site until the eve of the dedication (see separate story on this page).

White said the project would not have been possible without Joseph and Stella Biason who found the house covered with vines and dirt when they bought commercial property on Mission Street in the fall of 1989.

Sales was praised by White as "a one-woman task force, for her extraordinary efforts in bringing to fruition the dream of the First Murphy House," and by Gladney in behalf of the whole Murphy family.

She, in turn, praised Grace, "who saw that house up in the air and gave us a place to put it down." She referred to the morning of June 28, 1990, when crowds turned out to watch the house be lifted from its site over buildings to the street and moved two blocks to its present location. Volunteer workers presented Sales with a green hammer, noting, "She can swing this baby and bring it down hard."

Congleton thanked the city for taking on the liability of owning the house when it first went into the air and Carmel Heritage for taking on the liability of the volunteers.

ROSEMARY GLADNEY, the daughter of M.J. Murphy, talks to well-wishers at the dedication of the First Murphy house.

The ceremonies on the deck atop the new city washrooms that are part of First Murphy Park followed the city's annual Halloween Parade down Ocean Avenue, an event that coincides with the celebration of its founding in 1916. Children in the parade went to City Hall for ice cream, and adults went to Murphy Park

A CROWD OF ABOUT 70 attended dedication ceremonies at the First Murphy House, above. Among particpants in the annual Halloween parade, below, was Nelson Foreman of Carmel Valley whose vintage Cadillac convertible was full of strange animals.

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SHARING A BIG LAUGH, ABOVE ARE Mayor Ken White, all dressed up for the First Murphy dedication,and Councilman Bob Fischer with his granddaughter, Rachel McFarland. Above right a carful of Planning Commissioners joined the parade. From left were Maggie Hardy, Melanie Billig and Vice Chairman Brian Congleton who brought his infant daughter along for the ride. At far right are Councilwoman Barbara Bro0ks and her dog and a stranger in mufti.

First Murphy Gets Water Variance

Carmel-by-the-Sea won a water management district variance Thursday night for two-thirds of an acre foot of water for its First Murphy house and park, but probably will have to debit its future water allocation for it.

On a unanimous vote, directors approved giving Carmel .506 acre-foot for the public restrooms and 0.154 for drought tolerant landscaping at the park.

The city, represented by planner Brian Roseth, had proposed that the water district absorb half of the two-thirds of an acre foot by debiting its public interest reserve, with the city being debited for the remaining additional use.

"We're willing to take it all (the debit) if necessary," Roseth said, "but we believe some of it should come from the district's reserve because historic preservation benefits everybody on the peninsula, not just the city."

The small, frame house, moved to its present location two years ago and restored, is believed to be the first ever built by the region's master builder M. J. Murphy. He built it in 1902 for his mother and sisters when he was just 17 years old and went on to build many of the area's fine homes and structures.

Moving to grant the variance from the district's building moratorium, Director Ken Long supported a staff recommendation that the city's allocation be debited for all of the water on the grounds that the park mainly will benefit residents and visitors of Carmel.

However, Roseth was asked if any structures had previously been located on the parcel at Sixth and Lincoln where First Murphy now sits. He said he believed that it once held three small structures.

HANGING OVER THE MANTLE in the First Murphy House is a photograph of M.J.Murphy and his bride.

If they had ben torn down as recently as within five years, he was told, the city might get credit for the water they once used to offset First Murphy's increased use. Long included a provision to that effect in his motion.

Roseth said he couldn't remember when the structures were razed, but would investigate to see if they fit within the district's five-year window.

When it appeared the building moratorium would be short-lived, the city agreed to build the restrooms but not use them until the moratorium was lifted. But as the moratorium stretched toward two years, the city decided to seek the variance.

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BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

"FOG COMING IN—PEBBLE BEACH," a watercolor of cypress trees was painted by Rosa Loesch this year from a sketch she did outdoors.

MPMOA's Sparkling Miniatures

For over 10 years, the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art has invited prominent local artists to contribute works of art—none larger than five inches by seven inches including the frame—to be offered in an auction or drawing during the annual Festival of Trees.

Though it is an important garnering of funds for the Museum's general operating fund, it has remained a quiet affair. It is almost like a secret. Perhaps those who know wish it to be so because it is such a wonderful opportunity to acquire a very special miniature work of art.

I have come more and more to appreciate the small format. I have always been amazed, seeing prints of paintings in art books, to find that in the flesh they are quite small, perhaps only 8 x 11 inches. So many of Whistler's, Winslow Homer's and Sargent's paintings that even in reproduction give us a sense of the mood of water lapping, the majesty of timbered riverways or sunshine glistening on the waters of Venice (respectively) are quite tiny.

It is because of their power to elicit emotion and their sense of presence and immediacy that I expect them to be large. Conversely. it is this power and presence that makes them successful small—but would be lost in a larger format.

Standing before a large painting it is necessary to scan back and forth to absorb the whole picture. You are an outsider "reading" it. It is much more possible to enter the small painting which you see in total without moving your eyes. This intimacy makes you a part of the painting.

As for the 90 local artists represented here, many such as Eldon Dedini and Hank Ketcham are use to working small—the format of the cartoon is small. These two, by the way, will be very special prizes for someone. Most of the artists normally work in a larger format, however, and they have executed these pieces especially for this miniatures show. Many have created far stronger pieces in this small format than their normally larger work.

Andres Morillo's watercolor has far more cohesiveness in this small shore scene than in his larger pieces. There's a consistency of style and completeness of composition that draws us into the quiet sun and water, the mood of the boat moored and waiting against the dark hills. A whole world that reproduces in our mind to large space, remembered warmth and wetness.

Winter Reflections is the first of William Stone's watercolors that I've really been drawn to. His very stylized watercolors have always been strong compositions but have never given me pause to ponder. This tiny watercolor has the enchantment of a German Fairytale. Shirley Holt's Noel is an exquisite little etching with the same illustrative, nostalgic feel.

Rosa Loesch is an accomplished watercolorist in any size, though none of hers I've seen have ever been larger than a quarter sheet (11 x 15 inches). Her seemingly effortless handling of the medium produces landscapes that are flowing but solid, earthy and uplifting.

There are other landscapes here whose smallness belie visions of space : Dorothy Biggers', Alicia Mheen's, John LaPierre's, Joe Tanous'. And there are florals which largely fill the format and seem small: Phyllis Johnson's, Wilda Northrop's, Des Matthews, among many familiar names.

A pencil sketch of a girl by George DeGroat pushes at the 5" x 7" boundaries and seems larger. The eye and the mind deceive or manipulate. It is an excellent drawing—more than a girl, it is space and form.

I have favorites. A lot of them! "Connections" by Heidi Hybl, a somewhat surreal piece. She is an artist with strong personal vision and fluent in the language of art. Betty Peckinpah, speaking of fluent artistic expression, "Blue Nude" is an accomplished painting, veils of color creating subtle space for the floating fragments of a figure. This is one of the few paintings that could be blown up and succeed equally as well.

"The Magi" by Carolyn Berry is another exceptional piece, complete in its artistic statement, absorbing in message. Renee McClue's Enchanted Forest II" is medium and message one and the same, excellent. Susie G. Sarpkaya's "Dreamland" is another consummate blending of medium and message.

There is such a large percentage of good strong mature statements in this small show of small art that I became distracted from all the other shows at the museum that I had come to see first. Many of the artists I consider to be in the "vanguard" of art here on the peninsula—not the least of which is Jef Workman. "Star Waiter," like all his work, is enormous fun and is fine art. Another such is Eve Tartar. I find her small collage in a red sculptured frame as impressive as her massive pieces.

These are artists for which content is a means to an end. As Mastisse said, "I don't create a woman, I make a picture." Think of this in looking at David Ligare's "Torre", Mike Duffy's "Tiamet Halved" and Harriet Fergusson's relief, "Keeping it Together at Haddo".

So, whether your taste is for landscape or floral, illustrative or abstract, a bit of the surreal, a safe bet or a risk, you can almost not go wrong. I hope you will go to see this show, whether you are interested in the drawing or not, as it is unusual to see so many good pieces representing such diverse artists in one show.

If you are interested in the drawing, tickets are only $2 and may be purchased at the museum gift shop. The drawing will be at 4 p.m. Dec. 6.

THE MARITIME MUSEUM OF MONTEREY opened Saturday with Carmel Valley resident Virginia Stanton, above, a million dollar benefactor on hand for ceremonies. Allen Knight's children, below, gathered beneath their father's portrait which hangs near the museum's entrance. Alys Bliesner, Allen "Buzz" Knight, Jr. and Lani Fremier's father's nautical collection forms the nucleus of the museum's displays. Bliesner and Fremier are from Carmel and Knight is from Burlingame. *Sun photos by Carolyn Rice*

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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

By Barbara Rose Shuler

"This never would have been permitted in the old days," muttered my friend. I thought he needed a little education in local performance trends so I took him to see the Performance Carmel season opening of "Queen Ida and Her Zydeco Band." This was not to be conservative Carmel fare. Since my companion had spent many years working in the Carmel performance milieu, I wanted to acquaint him with the popular contemporary performance that has been attracting large crowds to the Sunset Center of late.

My friend claims to be conservative, like old Carmel. So, in my view, a swinging evening of zydeco on Halloween night was just the ticket for him. Zydeco has been described as "the divine crossroads where blues, rock 'n roll, Texas swing, country music and rhythm and blues meet." My friend would probably just call it "loud."

We fearlessly walked past the ghouls with green hair, the tall princes of the realm, an aviatrix, and the strange sea of beings from other times and places. When Queen Ida made her entrance flashing a glorious smile and a blue sequined dress, the show began. What a celebration! Hands clapping, people moving and cheering...and dancing.

"They're dancing! Aren't there laws against dancing in Carmel." My friend looked shocked as a good portion of the audience left their seats for the area in front of the stage. Ida's exuberant rhythms make it almost impossible to sit still.

"`Wanna dance?" I asked, as the Cultural Director and his wife walked past us to join the jumping, gyrating crowd. "Certainly not! Besides as a member of the press your job is to simply observe." So in deference to my "old Carmel" friend, I observed.

What I saw was another wonderfully successful evening for Performance Carmel. And, yes, Halloween at the Sunset Center served as an undeniable inauguration of a new era in Carmel's cultural expression. The band was composed of men much younger than Ida, all excellent musicians. Two in particular stood out. Myrick "Freeze" Guillory, Ida's son, plays a key role in the performance, both as a song writer and a musician. He's a vibrant, innovative artist who is clearly able to carry on the family tradition of compelling, high energy shows. Freeze, like his mother, played the accordion and other traditional instruments and sang. He was particularly impressive as a washboard virtuoso. Bernard Anderson's saxophone playing was exceptional among this splendid ensemble.

Queen Ida herself is the charismatic force that we expected. Without her the band would be fine, but not a hot Performance Carmel ticket. Ida grew up in Louisiana, steeped in the culture of the Cajun/Creole community. Homemade music was a major form of recreation. After her children grew up, Ida began playing music in earnest. A reporter from the *San Francisco Chronicle* dubbed her "Queen Ida" at an event where she was Queen of the Mardi Gras for the city's Creole community. Queen Ida, for all her years, gives a tireless, energetic performance, enchanting us especially with her accordion playing and gorgeous smile. Her exuberance is irresistible and the music a creative mix of American sounds that range from folk to contemporary.

As for my friend, I caught him tapping his toes, patting his hand on his thigh and occasionally he flashed me a twinkle. I think he liked Queen Ida and the boys.

Before attending the lively evening of music at the Sunset Center, I stopped at dusk to observe a spirited event of a different nature in Carmel—this one at the beach. Elayne Fitzpatrick and Taelen Thomas were presiding over a "calling down of the spirits" of the famous writers of the region. The event which was not widely publicized attracted a modest but enthusiastic crowd.

Poet/performer Thomas came dressed as Ambroise Bierce and did the honors while Fitzpatrick assisted. Writer after writer was invoked, their names called and an amusing anecdote about their characters and/or escapades related. It was a delightful adventure in Bohemia recalling the "old days" of Jack London, Mary Austin, Ricketts and Steinbeck, Jeffers and Jaime D`Angulo and many others. The spirits seemed pleased to be called upon and remembered. And certainly the rememberers had a good time.

Sunday I went to the San Francisco Opera to see Beethoven's "Fidelio." It was a magnificent production featuring the great Hildegaard Behrens in the title role. Later on this month, I will review "Fidelio" for you along with two more of the operas presented there this season, including the West Coast premiere of John Adam's "The Death of Klinghoffer." Many peninsula residents regularly attend the San Francisco Opera. If you love opera and haven't made the excursion to enjoy one of these world-class productions, you are missing out on one of the great performance opportunities of the central coast.

On the other hand, I urge you not to attend the Western Stage's production of "Virgins and Vixens." Billed as a feminist interpretation of Shakespeare, this production falls flat and skins its knees. In stunning contrast to other Western Stage productions "Virgins and Vixens" is ill-conceived, confusing and boring.

Carmel Plaza Design Changes Win Approval

Carmel Plaza won unanimous approval from the Planning Commission for the design of changes proposed for the exterior of the shopping center at Ocean Avenue and Junipero over the objections of the Planning Department staff and its chairman.

Both the staff and Chairman Jack Kennedy suggested at an Oct. 28 hearing that the Plaza resubmit the design because they had not had a chance to look at it since it was first examined July 31, 1991.

But when Vice Chairman Brian Congleton said, "I don't want to hold the applicants up any longer, let them proceed in the areas we like," the agreement was unanimous. Owner Steve Jacobs promised to return with details on the directory and lighting.

The commission also unanimously approved a request from Jack Hakim, owner of Scandia Restaurant and Sade's Bar, to add food service to the bar, one of the oldest commercial properties in Carmel.

Michael Albov, attorney for Hakim, said the trend towards serving food in bars was nationwide and was "socially and politically correct." The addition of food was not seen as adding any water use because bars use more water than restaurants, he said.

Valley Getting New Police Dog

Carmel Valley is getting a new police dog, a 2-year-old Dutch Malinois named Remco.

Deputy Lance Berryman said he picked up the dog at a Riverside kennel Saturday to replace Ethan, a Belgian Shepherd who had to be retired after only six months because of a congenital back disorder.

Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) members contributed $2,000 to go toward the purchase of Ethan for Berryman who patrols Carmel Valley at night.

Remco is a cross between a Belgian Malinois and a Great Dane. The dog is taller and thinner than most German Shepherds but has the head, muzzle and ears of a small Shepherd.

While not as heavy or strong as a German Shepherd, Berryman said Remco and others of his breed are quicker and more agile and often more aggressive.

Remco was trained in Dutch, and Berryman is now learning to use Dutch commands. He had to learn German commands to control Ethan.

Berryman got the dog from Alderhorst International in Riverside. Normally, he would cost $4,500, he said, but he bargained and got him for less than that.

Berryman expressed some dissatis-faction with LeMasters Kennel, which provided Ethan, saying it was supposed to guarantee him fully, but did not. He said Ethan has been adopted by a Monterey policeman who planned to wait and see if rest and reduced activity will help Ethan's chronic back pain before deciding on surgery.

"This dog should have a longer normal street life than a dog like Ethan," Berryman said of Remco. He explained that since the Dutch Malinois was not as heavy as a German Shepherd, they were not as hard on their legs and hips.

Dutch Malinois are increasing in popularity as police dogs, he said, and up to one-third of the animals now being used in Southern California law enforcement are from the breed.

Remco can not officially go on duty with Berryman until he is certified by passing a series of rigorous tests, including obedience.

Berryman told the *Sun* he did not know when the certification would take place since he is waiting to learn whether he will have to undergo surgery to repair a torn rotator cuff in his shoulder. He said he injured it Oct. 4 when he jumped from a helicopter into the surf at Big Sur when rescuers were trying to save a Salinas fisherman who was swept off the rocks by waves and drowned.

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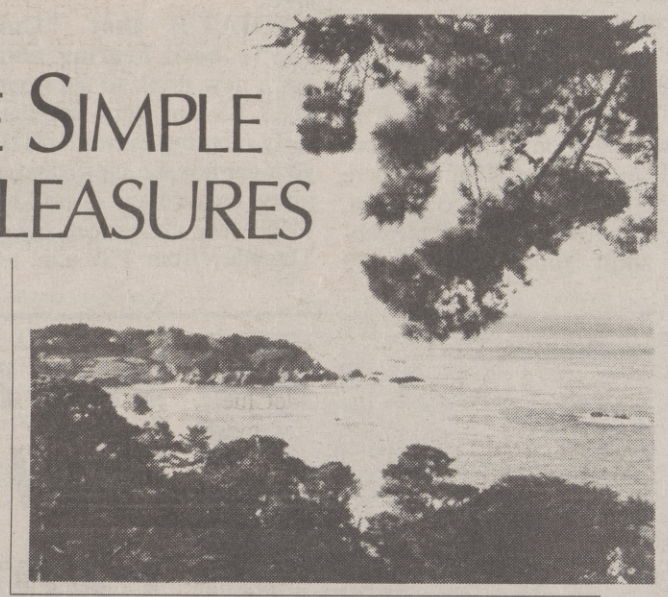

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THE CLUBHOUS, a drop-in center for 9 to 11 year-olds, officially opened Monday with hours from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.. It is supervised by Recreation Department staff and volunteer students from Carmel High School.

The Clubhouse will include a limited snack bar, video games, stereo, television with VCR, ping pong, foosball table, table pool, board games and much much more... From 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily, the Clubhouse will have a **QUIET TIME** for the members to do their homework (assistance available), or other quiet time activities. From 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. the Clubhouse will offer fun activities for those members that would like to participate. (contests, movies, tournaments, bingo, parties and more!) All children will be supervised. Members' ideas will be encouraged and considered to provide other future activities.

A $20 monthly membership fee due on or before the 7th of each month will be charged to help offset recurring expenses. All members and parents **MUST** complete a Clubhouse registration form. Members have to sign-in and when leaving, sign-out giving a destination.

The Clubhouse is located at the Recreation Department on Torres Street between 3rd and 4th Ave. in Carmel. Bus number 6 (Arts Bus) leaves Carmel River School and drops children off on the corner of 4th Avenue and Junipero Street.

HALLOWEEN PARTY. The Carmel Recreation Department is having a Halloween Party for 4th and 5th Graders on Friday, Nov. 6 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Clubhouse located on Torres street between 3rd and 4th Avenue in Carmel. There will be a costume contest, limbo contest, D.J. to play your favorite tunes, refreshments, and adult supervision. A $3 (without costume) $2 (with costume) fee will be collected at the door. **Note for parents and students:** Once students have been dropped off at the party they will not be allowed outside the Clubhouse until their parents or another adult picks them up. For more information please call the Carmel Recreation Department at 626-1255.

SENIORS AGE 60 OR OLDER URGED TO GET FLU SHOTS: Flu clinic planned for Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carmel Recreation Department located on Torres Street between 3rd and 4th Avenue in Carmel. For more information call 626-1255.

CALIFORNIA HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE. The Carmel Recreation Department is sponsoring a Hunter Education Course on Nov. 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 21, and 23. Students must attend all 7 days to receive their hunting license. Weeknight classes will be held from 6:30 p.m.- 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. The course costs $15 and is held at the Recreation Department located on Torres street between 3rd and 4th Ave. Must Pre-Register.

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Carl Quigg has been involved in the martial arts for over 30 years, is a 3rd degree Black Belt and certified instructor with the title of "Sensei Max". He has been acknowledged as having completed full training (menkyo kaiden) by his teacher the late Professor John Chow Hoon and is the direct successor to the School of Ancient Martial Arts. He has taught at Los Arboles Middle School in Marina, the Adult Education Program at Pacific Grove High School and at Santa Catalina School where he now works and resides.

For more information please call 626-1255.

SHORINJI RYU JUJITSU. This course acts as an introduction into the traditional Japanese martial art of jujitsu. Students will learn the history, philosophy and terminology while practicing and developing skills in the art of Shorinji Ryu Jujitsu. Upon completion of this course students may qualify for the first color belt leading up to the attainment of Black Belt. This class, for 16 and older, started Nov. 3 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday/Thursday. The class costs $25 per month. Students must pre-register.

ADULT BEGINNING TAP DANCE: The Carmel Recreation Department is offering an adult beginning Tap Dance class on Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. starting Nov. 10. Tap dancing is a fun and creative way to get some exercise. In this class you will learn the basic steps of tap and combine them in easy combinations. The hour and one-half class will begin with a brief warm up, followed by skill building exercises, moving across the floor and ending with combinations. The class is designed for people who have never done tap before, but would be useful for those with up to one year of experience. If you do not have tap shoes, wear oxford-type leather soled shoes or smooth soled tennis shoes to the class. The fee for the course is $20 starting Nov. 10 through Dec. 15. All students must per register. For more information or to register call the Recreation Department at 626-1255.

ADULT BINGO (21 years of age and older) The hottest game in town continues to be ADULT BINGO on Wednesday evenings, 6:45 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Vista Lobos Park meeting room. A relaxing and inexpensive fun evening can be found here! Ten games played each Wednesday. (Only $1 for a sheet of 4 cards.)

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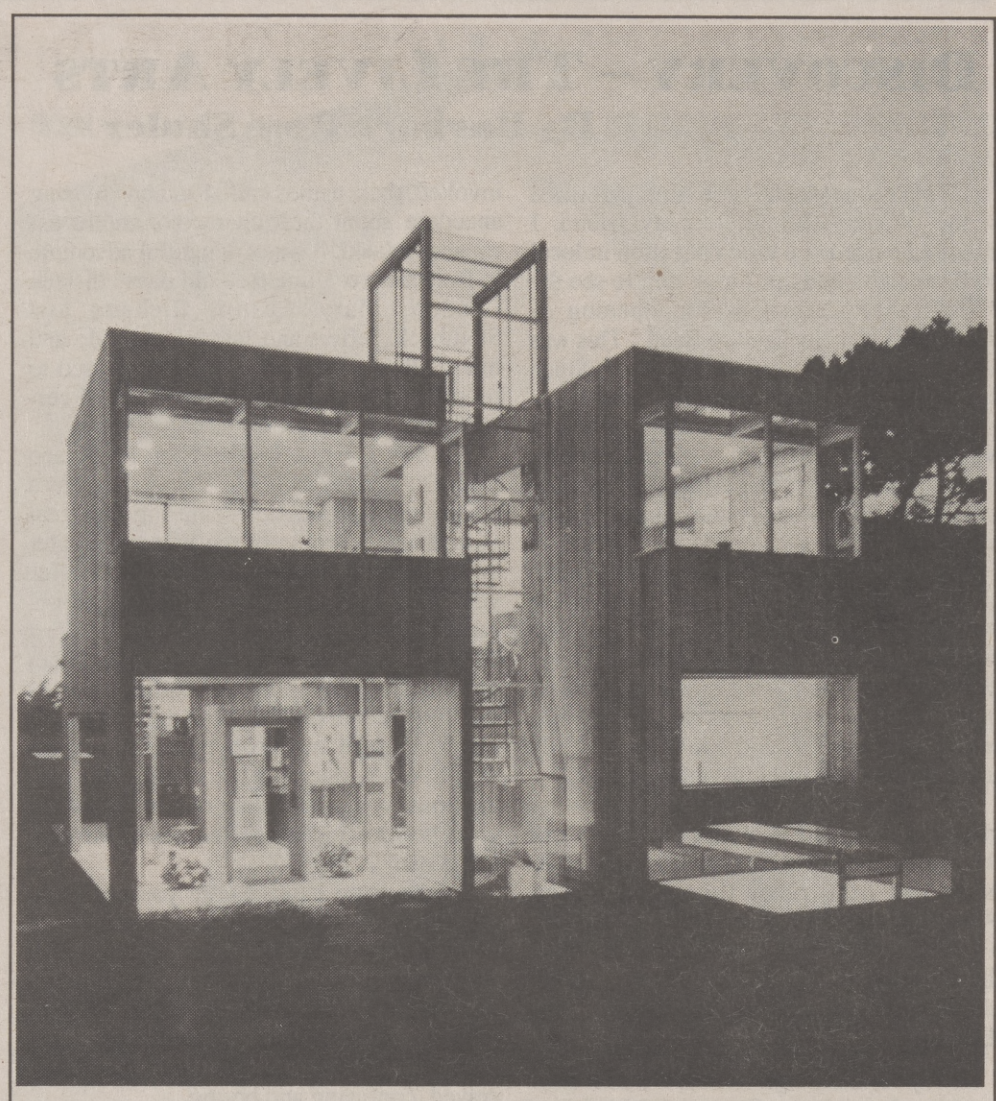

REFLECTED AGAINST THE SKY is the award-winning house of Carmel architect John Thodos.

Thodos Wins Award for House

Architect John H. Thodos won the highest design award of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), the Honor Award, for the contemporary design of his glass house overlooking Carmel Bay.

It was the first Honor Award for a Carmel residence and only the sixth project in the history of the Monterey Bay Chapter of AIA to receive the coveted award.

"The Honor Awad is given for the exceptional design of projects of unique character worthy of other architects' investigation and emulation," Tom Carlton, chairman of the Awards Committee, said.

Thodos and his wife, Judy, live year round at the house on Scenic Drive off Ocean Avenue. The most notable feature in the house is "the harmonic visual design of glass, natural wood, steel and concrete resulting in a unique humanistic structure," he said.

Known for his innovative designs, Thodos has current projects in California, Mexico, Oregon and Washington. Though he has won other AIA awards, Thodos said he was particularly thrilled to win the Honor Award.

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

Okay, I voted.

I went into the booth, held my nose and selected the candidates that were least offensive to me. Nobody on this year's ballot moved me positively. In every case, I selected the lesser of the evils, and in many cases, it was mighty hard to tell them apart.

Maybe that's just reflective of the national disgust with politics and politicians that is so pervasive this year—the discontent that Ross Perot tapped into but couldn't capitalize on.

Whatever the reason—we've come to a sorry state when I did not want to vote for a single candidate because of his or her views, experience, philosophy, party, allegiance or position on an issue that was important to me.

I didn't vote for people, I voted against them.

And I'll bet there are a lot of you like me out there.

But I did vote. I voted because it has been drilled into me since I was a little boy that you had to vote, no matter what. It was part of your civic duty, a way to exercise democracy and show your support for it at the same time.

But I wonder. Is voting sort of like drinking your milk? Cleaning your plate?

Maybe this notion that everybody should vote is outdated. We used to think—or at least be told—that we wouldn't grow up big and strong if we didn't drink our milk. Children of my era at least were also exhorted to eat everything put before them whether we liked it or not.

We now know that milk is not good for everybody. Some people are allergic to it, it's full of cholesterol and if you drink too much, it'll make you fat. As far as our health is concerned, being taught to clean our plates may be one of the worst things any of us ever learned.

I'm now gray haired, arthritic and have suffered a heart attack, and it's still almost impossible for me to leave anything on my plate—even when I don't like it. I learned that lesson too well.

I also learned that everybody ought to vote. But trying to get everybody out on election day may well be just as misguided. Maybe the results would turn out better if only citizens with a real interest in the candidates and issues cast ballots. Maybe we ought to try it where only those people who really understand the issues get to cast ballots.

Some of the founding fathers thought only property owners should be allowed to vote, and later on some people proposed that you had to be able read and write before you were eligible. Both ideas were rejected as undemocratic, along with such devices as poll taxes, which were clearly designed to keep some people out of the process.

I don't want to sound like an elitist, but maybe there should be some minimum requirement for voting. I doubt, for example, that the practice of going around and gathering up all the bums and winos in the big cities and carrying them down to the polls is the way to ensure the best government

Steering an automobile is a fairly simple mechanical skill, but in every state, you have to pass a test to prove that you know enough to do it. Yet we urge people to get out and help steer our great ship of state whether they know the difference between candidate A and candidate B—or really give a damn.

Could that be one reason the country is in such terrible shape? Could this be why our politicians believe they can't get elected if they tell the people the plain truth about hard questions—and therefore want to sidestep those hard questions?

I say shame on all of us for letting them get away with dodging the difficult issues. If I were a politician, I guess I'd try to run on motherhood and the flag, too, if I thought I could get away with it. But the country can't solve hard issues unless both the public and the politicians are willing to try to deal with them—knowledgeably.

Maybe I'm wrong, but I suspect the uninformed voter is more easily mislead, easier to sway, than those who have even a nodding acquaintance with the pros and cons of the issues.

If that weren't true, I don't think the eight-second sound bite, the negative ads and the downright dishonest commercial would have become so effective in getting people elected.

It's a lot easier to vote your gut than to do the work to try to understand who stands for what and what really might be best for the country. But if anybody thinks you can correctly decide the really tough issues of the day on intuition, you're dead wrong. They will require thought, study, research, experimentation, understanding, and probably when all that is done, compromise.

To bring my argument full circle, maybe I would have found candidates that I really wanted to vote for on the ballot this year if there had been more honest discussion of the tough issues.

Issues like the deficit, world trade, industrial policy, education and what this country wants to be in the post-Cold War era are the ones that will determine whether our children will have the opportunity to create lives better than ours.

I'm a conservative, and I voted for George Bush in 1988. I didn't vote for him Tuesday. Here's why:

I think the president of the country is like the CEO of a company. In either office, the principal role, in my view, is to create a vision, a set of goals that capture the sense of the enterprise, what its role and conduct should be and how its going to improve so that it becomes better in the future.

When George Bush complained to reporters about midway through his term that he wished reporters would "quit bugging me about that vision thing," he lost one usually loyal Republican.

Unfortunately, in the campaign just concluded no one else told me about their vision for American, either. I voted Tuesday, but maybe I shouldn't have.

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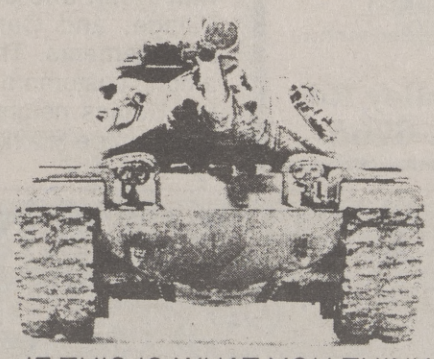

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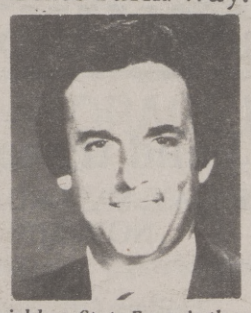

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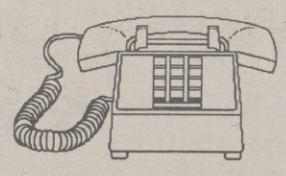

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Joan Baez in the Valley

PICTURE by an unknown artist shows Joan Baez when she was active in Carmel Valley.

"The beards and the sandals are already showing up in the Village. Once this institute becomes part of the landscape, we'll have hundreds of the crummy unwashed coming in from down the coast!" an unnamed objector told a local newspaper in October, 1965.

The remarks were made at one of numerous heated public hearings on the application of singer Joan Baez and Menlo Park teacher-pacifist Ira Sandperl to establish the Institute for the Study of Nonviolence.

The two were partners in a project to create a center where small groups of like-minded people could gather, in Joan's words, "to study nonviolence in nations looking toward world peace, but also in conduct of daily living, relations of people with one another and the promotion of world peace." The institute was chartered as a non-profit educational group. Baez and Sandperl wanted a use permit for rented space in a small building where they could hold their educational sessions.

Public response to the plans was swift and hot. Proposed topics to be covered at the Institute, especially those concerning peace and nonviolence, were considered controversial in 1965. Across the Pacific, America's involvement in Vietnam was increasing, with troop support levels rising dramatically. "Patriotic duty," and just how that term was to be defined in light of growing unease over possible threat of a land war in Southeast Asia, was a subject of growing public debate.

In July, 1965, the permit application described the institute's proposed routine. Seminar-style classes were to be held five days a week, with regular periods of silent meditation and physical exercise. Enrollment was to consist of between 10 to 15 students, with sessions running six weeks each at a cost of between $75 to $100 per student.Initial sessions had been held in Joan's home on Miramonte Road in the Valley.

The location, a small white building once housing the "So Help Me Hannah" poison oak remedy laboratory, had formerly been the old Tularcitos School. The building can be seen today just off Carmel Valley Road, on the right immediately past the Stonepine entrance gate.

The study of history and non-violence seemed a natural by-product of Joan Baez's philosophy. By 1965, the 24-year-old activist was already a singing success. She'd appeared at Carnegie Hall, and in September of 1964 had made her first major appearance on the Monterey Peninsula, playing in a concert to 5,000 people at the fairgrounds. The occasion had been to benefit Pioneer House, a non-profit nursery school in Seaside. An added plus to the evening was the surprise appearance of Bob Dylan onstage following intermission.

A San Francisco newspaper described Joan as having "striking good looks with a voice of unearthly beauty, brave, unconventional, outspoken, a pacifist and anti-segregationist."

Joan had already been on hunger strikes, had publicized her refusal to pay the 60 percent of her income tax scheduled for defense spending, and her continuing charitable acts and efforts on behalf of non-violence were already well known.

Property owners near the proposed facility turned out at the hearings. Some feared the school would "teach the techniques of picketing, sit-ins and civil disobedience."

Others feared noise and public encroachment on their land. The day following the hearing which granted county approval for the institute, signs appeared proclaiming, "Color Joan Pink," and "Poison Oak for Poison Folk." Some expressed fears a full-scale witch hunt was in progress.

Despite the institute's go-ahead from the county, the public outcry didn't end. Various hearings came up which covered appeals to restrict time and use limits on the building, rezoning to change the use permit, parking restrictions and occupancy limitations.

In 1966, after yet another appeal to the Board of Supervisors to repeal the use permit, Joan was called a "member of the idiot left movement." For a time, local newspapers ran nearly weekly articles about the school.

The Institute lasted in the Valley until 1969 when it was moved to Palo Alto, where Joan Baez and her new husband, David Harris, by then resided.

Modeled after the Greek concept as a place where ideas were exchanged, the Institute for the Study of Non-violence held as its philosophy, in Sandperl's words, that "violence is morally untenable, politically unrealistic and ineffectual in attaining its primary goal, peace."

Now, nearly 30 years later, that concept doesn't seem to spark much controversy, anymore.

A LITTLE HOUSE on Carmel Valley Road right beside the Stonepine Inn entrance once was home to Joan Baez's Institute for the Study of Nonviolence.

WINNERS OF A TRIP to Puerto Vallarta, Pat and Eric Hitchcock, center, pose with Dean and Jossie Diaz, right, owners of Plaza Linda Restaurant in the Village, and Caroline Tugel, left, of Valley Oaks Travel who made the arrangements. The restaurant, marking its 29th anniversary, held a drawing among customers for the four-day Mexican vacation. The Hitchcocks, who live in the Robles neighborhood, plan to go in March. An artist, he is kin to Valley pioneer Joe Hitchcock.

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TROWEL & HOE

BY MARK EATON

DUTCH IRIS are actually from Spain and North Africa and do well and do well in Central California's Mediterranean climate.

I was examining the bulb bins at our nursery the other day and noticed that while sales of the most popular items like tulips and daffodils have been good, one type of bulb, the Dutch iris, has shown less than impressive results. Now this article is not going to be a thinly veiled attempt at getting you to come down and buy some Dutch iris (but I certainly wouldn't mind if you did.) Rather it occurs to me that while Dutch iris is not a rare and unusual flower bulb, maybe the general gardening public doesn't know what to do with them.

To know the origins of Dutch iris is to understand how useful they can be to our coastal California gardens. For Dutch iris are not from Holland as the name would indicate, but from the Mediterranean climate of Spain and North Africa. It was the Dutch who many years ago developed these hybrids from several Mediterranean species. Most of us have had success in this area with bearded iris and Pacific Coast native iris. Dutch iris, which comes in the form of an actual bulb, is every bit as easy to raise as the others.

Their basic requirements are a sunny position with well-drained soil, preferably in a part of the garden that can remain unwatered over the summer. That sounds like a pretty simple accomplishment for most of us. They can be planted from late September to mid-December for blooms in March and April. Plant your bulbs four inches deep and three to four inches apart. Make sure you incorporate a good balanced bulb fertilizer under the bulbs at planting time because these little guys can stay in the ground and multiply for several years before you have to divide them. Give average water when the foliage appears above the ground and during the flowering period and you will be rewarded with beautiful sturdy blossoms that are three to four inches across carried on upright one-to-two foot stems.

Dutch iris are available in several colors including white, blue, purple, mauve, bronze, yellow and orange. There are many bicolored types.

Dutch iris also make an impressive display in containers. You should still plant them four inches deep but closer together than in the ground. Mix fertilizer into the potting mixture beneath bulbs, then soak well one time. Don't water them again until you see the shoots appear then do so on a regular basis.

If you ever purchase cut flowers, chances are you have had Dutch iris on your dining room Table. They have been a mainstay of the florist's palette for many years and are a very popular cut flower which makes me wonder why the bulb sales haven't been so great.

These bulbs are perfectly suited to our Mediterranean-like climate and the gophers seem to leave them alone. Since they are a true iris chances are the deer will avoid them as well.

Raising Dutch iris is as easy as growing daffodils, a true horticultural "no brainer." If you haven't planted any this fall, there's still time!

Padres Get First MTAL Win; Face RLS Pirates Saturday

The Carmel High School football team finally broke into the Mission Trail Athletic League win column with a 34-21 victory over Alisal Saturday—and showed some character doing it.

"I was really proud of the team," said coach Craig Johnston. "They lost four straight, and they stayed positive. We got down 14-0, and we came back. It was a great feeling."

Down two scores just 10 minutes into the home contest, the Padres came back by way of a pair of touchdown passes by quarterback John Geisler. He completed 13 out of 28 passes on the day.

Jeff Saunders scored the first of his two touchdowns in the game in the second quarter. "Jon Tedrow had a great day," Johnston said of his back who led Carmel ball carriers with 126 yards.

Wide receiver Dustin Nagai nabbed a Geisler pass and charged 78 yards for yet another Carmel TD, and Ben Thompson scored on an 8-yard Geisler pass in the fourth quarter.

"Our defense was a little sporadic. It didn't work at first, but they did what they were supposed to do at the end," Johnston said.

Now 3-5 overall and 1-3 in league play, Carmel will be looking to pick up another MTAL win Saturday against Robert Louis Stevenson. The Padres will meet the Pirates at the RLS field in Pebble Beach at 2 p.m., and Johnston said he is looking for a close contest.

"RLS is pretty good<" he said. "They've played our common opponents tougher than we have. Their running teams have cause us problems. It will be close. We have about the same record."

Alisal beat the Carmel junior varsity team 36-6. Brent Carlson scored for Carmel on a 95-yard run.

WITH THE REF ready to signal a TD, wide receiver Dustin Nagai crosses the goal line on a 78-yard pass play as Carmel got its first league win against Alisal.

Festive Decorations Planned

For the first time Ocean Avenue, the main thoroughfare in Carmel, will be decorated this Christmas with lights and holiday banners painted by local artists.

The City Council gave the project its official stamp of approval Tuesday night. It was made possible by the Carmel Business Association (CBA), whose executive director, Toni Jepson, collected $14,000 from local business and property owners to electrify the median strip. The work was done during installation of new water mains and sewage pipe.

Jepson showed the council samples of the colorful banners which were painted by Bruce Ariss, Bill Bates, George DeGroot, Ron Graver, Eldon Dedini, Carey Crocket, patty Waldini and Stan Spohn. She said there will be two banners per island.

The median strip will be lit for the holidays Dec. 4 when the annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony is held opposite Devendorf Park. The decorations will be taken down Jan. 10.

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Landmark Running Iron Adds Light Touch to Its He-man Comfort Food

If the trend in eating is to California "light"—salads, pasta, veggies—you'd never know it by the demand at the Running Iron.

Anchoring the eastern end of Carmel Valley Village, the landmark restaurant has enough atmosphere to make you think you're almost in the real wild West. Owners Jenn and Nelson Foreman have hired a new chef to juggle the demands for light food with their popular stick-to-your-ribs home cooking.

A "belly up to the bar" place with antique farm tools, old saddles and cowboy boots hanging from the rafters and rustic maple furniture, The Running Iron is a modern-day mom and pop establishment. Big, athletic-looking Nelson and tiny Jenn, who runs the Big Sur Marathon every year, are the hands-on owners.

Known for huge portions of such he-man food as barbecued spareribs, juicy hamburgers, meatloaf, homemade bean soup and heaping Mexican tostadas, the Running Iron has a new chef on board, Matt Farmer, who is challenged to keep the simple American "comfort food" and add the new light touch.

"What we're trying to do is bring a variety of dishes to the menu," said Matt Farmer, a veteran of 12 years behind the stove at such places as Los Laureles Lodge, the Marriott in Monterey and Kiewels on Monterey Bay.

"California cuisine is a lot of fun," he said, "with pasta, special salads and all, but what most people want to eat, at least out here, is basic American dishes" like steak and mashed potatoes. One of the changes in the menu that Farmer introduced are hearty daily specials, reflecting basic American dishes—liver and onions, pot pies, meatloaf and corned beef and cabbage.

Jenn Foreman, who oversees the kitchen and dining room operations, agreed with Farmer. "People still are eating American food" despite increasing health consciousness and a trend toward some lighter dishes.

Farmer joins Ron Green, who has 45 year's cooking experience, and Esteban Santos, who specializes in Mexican dishes, in the kitchen. "They're a real working team," she said of the trio, which on a busy weekend day when the restaurant serves brunch might send out as many as 490 meals in a day.

"Our goal is high quality food, simple and at good prices," Farmer said with the restaurant producing most of its dishes from scratch. "We make our own soups and bread. We even sun dry our own tomatoes."

The Foremans, who owned other restaurants and bars, including the Hatch Cover at the Mouth of the Valley from 1976 to 1982, bought The Running Iron in 1985.

Nelson Foreman said he started out in the liquor business, and drifted into food because of state laws that require bars to sell food. "The whiskey business is a piece of cake," he said, compared with the complexities of serving food. "You have to keep trying to improve, no matter what."

Named for a branding iron that was used to do freehand brands—often by rustlers—the Running Iron began life as the Stirrup Cup, a rip-snorting saloon.

DISCUSSING AN UPCOMING "Ladies' Night" at the Running Iron are co-owner Jenn Foreman and Matt Farmer, the restaurant's new head chef. The special evening for women, which will include dinner and entertainment, is Wednesday.

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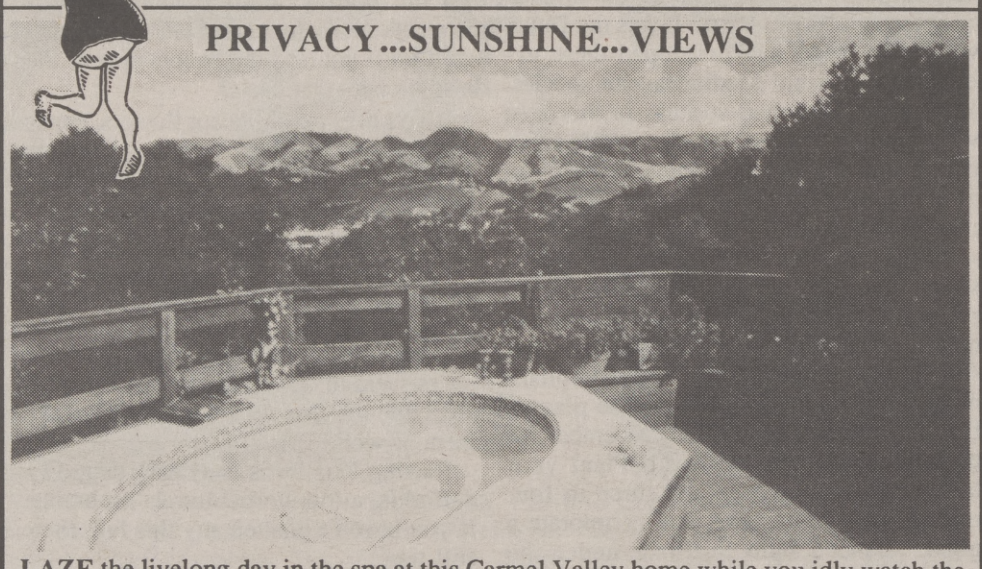

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3 SE SANTA RITA/5TH. Howard Hartman to Timothy R. and Regena M. Corbett. $230,000.

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24498 SAN MATEO AVENUE. Peterson Goodwyn Conway VII to Lacy W. Buck. $80,000.

Carmel Valley

13 PASO HONDO. Mary S. O'Connell to Andrew K. Clark. $235,000.

253 HACIENDA CARMEL. Richard M. Nystrom to Theodora L. Crowley. $85,000.

11 ESQUILINE ROAD. Frank A. Wasko to Andrew R. and Yolanda A. Rudy. $315,500.

Pacific Grove

1212 MILES AVENUE. Marcia and E. T. Horne to Francis J. Hespe. $185,000.

Pebble Beach

PADRE LANE. Parma McGemperle to Dennis R. and Delores Bryan. $500,000.

1037 RODEO ROAD. Juan C. and Elva L. Lucena to Judson B. and Patricia A. Landee. $799,000.

Planners Approve FAR for Large Lots

By Isabelle Hall

The Planning Commission had been expected to approve a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) for large lots in Carmel Oct. 28 and pass it along to the City Council for final approval Tuesday. But it didn't work like that.

To everyone's surprise the commission discarded the instructions of the previous council and the Planning Department and voted unanimously instead for a proposal from Vice Chairman Brian Congleton. Planning Director Diane White had urged the commission to ask for more time for study if it couldn't go along with either of two alternatives but her advice fell on deaf ears.

The stalemate over the issue, as former Planning Commissioner Jim Miller put it, has "put the owners of larger lots of which I'm one in the position of being on substandard developed lots. We would be prohibited from doing anything because we already exceed the lot coverage...there is no equity here. It's not fair that the public be treated with a lack of decision."

Congleton's proposal, labeled Option 2B, calls for a floor area allowance of 38 percent or 3,040 square feet on a lot of 8,000 square feet and 3,500 square feet at 10,000 dropping to 20 percent or 6,000 square feet on lots of 30,000 square feet and above.

He said he wanted an incentive that would keep large lots from being split. Because he had not worked out a formula for figuring all the sizes in between, the proposed FAR will not get to the council until December. Congleton said the other proposals didn't encourage people from splitting large lots.

The problem of treating larger lots equitably arose when a public referendum was held setting the FAR for the 4,000 square foot lots most common in Carmel at 45 percent but did not provide for larger lots. There are about 20 in the city.

The City Council directed the commission last March to amend the ordinance for parcels greater than 12,000 square feet by reducing them at the rate of 1 percent up to 12,000 square feet and at one-half percent for lots over 12,000 square feet. Maximum site coverage for lots over 12,000 square feet would be 39 percent with a maximum FAR of 6,000 square feet on a lot of 30,000 square feet.

The commission asked White to prepare an alternative that would use a one percent reduction between 8,000 square feet and 12,000 square feet and a 3/4 percent decrease on parcels larger than 12,000 square feet, essentially the same proposal the council rejected a year ago.

The system of figuring floor area ratio is so confusing that it has added to the delays while at least a dozen different proposals have been discussed.

"We have a new council and new commission," White said, suggesting they go back and ask for additional time. "On the other hand, you'll hear from the public that they're anxious to see something proceed. You're under the gun."

Eric Miller, an architect representing the owners of seven lots on North Carmelo and North San Antonio, said his clients would like to build one 6,000 square foot house on the 28,000 square foot parcel and had been waiting two years to see what the city would do.

"Lots of people are buying up lots and building little houses. This would probably be the only project that will go the other way, " he said.

Karen Ferlito, who lives on Ridgewood, said she had been waiting 2-1/2 years to add two feet to her garage so she could have a two-car garage.

Former Vice Chairman Stephen Poohar said there was a huge incentive at present to build more square footage on smaller lots. He said the proposal should only be considered along with a long-pending lot merger ordinance.

"I believe that a decrease of 1 percent all the way to 12,000 square feet is more equitable and would keep larger lots in place," said former Chairman Carla Ramsey. "I ask you to continue 1 percent up to 12,000 square feet, then the staff could come up with an alternative so that 6,000 square feet would be the cap."

In other action the commission voted 7-0 to approve the design for a new story-single family residence on Casanova between 12th and 13th Avenues. Builder Fred Slabaugh said it would be the fifth two-story house he and his wife have built in Carmel.

The site was part of two legal lots, Slabaugh said, pointing out that the lot was extremely expensive and the water restrictions wouldn't allow him to build a bigger house.

"We wanted to build our own house on two lots but the economics will never allow us to do that," he told the commission.

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At a special meeting Thursday, the City Council took public testimony and then described to headhunter Bob Murray the kind of person they would like to see in the top post which paid about $100,000 in salary and benefits to former Administrator Doug Schmitz.

Murray, whose firm Ralph Andersen & Associates of Sacramento has been hired for $11,500 and $4,500 in expenses to find a new manager, was told he or she—most people were careful to say it could be either—should be:

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"The one thing that's abundantly clear to me is that every community tells me they're unique, Carmel-by-the-Sea is unique," Murray said. He said he would write up a brochure representing the qualities the city wants and be back in two weeks to start actively seeking candidates.

Only 11 people including Public Works Director Jim Cullem attended the meeting. First to speak was a woman who identified herself as Pat Phoebus and said she hoped they wouldn't automatically eliminate someone who didn't have city administrator experience.

She urged consideration of people who have worked for state and federal government as well. "Do you have any examples?" asked Mayor Ken White. "Yeah. My husband," she said, explaining that he worked in Atlanta managing an eight-state air quality program and she wanted him to join her in Carmel.

Former Mayor Barney Laiolo said the new administrator should tell the council both sides of the story "and you should analyze it yourselves. Quite often we've had things pushed down people's throats."

Longtime state employee Phyllis Howard said, "I hope Mr. Murray will be able to find someone who isn't double dipping two pensions and coming here for a place to retire. There are so many well qualified young people seeking work and living on one income."

Laiolo said there was no reason the city had to pay the wages it did: "It's crazy that the last guy got $75,000 and all the goodies. We don't have to do that again."

Former Planning Committee Chairman Carla Ramsey said Carmel was a land use city, and she hoped the new administrator would be able to work closely with the council and the planning commission.

"Any new city administrator should not feel they have the right to bring workers in to complement them," said Councilman Bob Fischer. "We wouldn't want our workers to feel threatened."

"It's not a Disneyland, not a tourist trap," said Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. "We don't want someone insulated by a hierarchy of people," commented councilman Phil Coniglio.

Mayor White and Brooks also both put in a pitch for someone who could raise the money to update Sunset Center and make the entertainment center a financial plus for Carmel. Councilwoman Barbara Livingston wanted someone who is "a future thinker."

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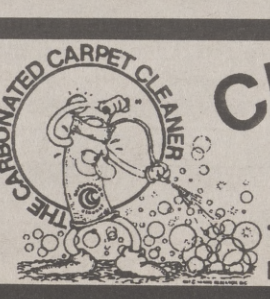

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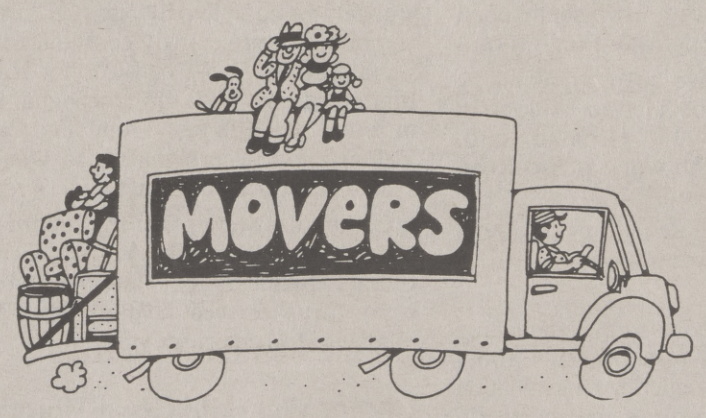

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Border Patrol Raid Investigated; Citizens Complain

By Carolyn Rice

The FBI and the Border Patrol are investigating an incident in which an agent from the Salinas immigration office chased three suspected illegal aliens in a car down Carmel Valley Road at high speed and fired a shot at them.

A Border Patrol spokesman said the chase began when the three men tried to run over another agent with their car in the Village. But he declined to say whether he thought the agent was justified in firing the shot, citing the internal Border Patrol investigation and the FBI's inquiry.

The incident occurred as the Border Patrol arrested 10 illegal aliens in the Carmel Valley Village area Oct. 28 and about 30 in total from on the peninsula. The shot-punctured chase came to light in part because a television crew which had gone on the Valley raid with the Border Patrol filmed and aired it. But a number of residents who witnessed or later heard about the chase also complained to authorities.

Asking not to be identified, some Carmel Valley residents said they felt their children were endangered by the episode. Two children were on foot with their dog near Carmel Valley Road east of the Village just beyond the entrance to Sleepy Hollow and two others were ready to pull onto the road in a car when the vehicles sped by shortly after 7 a.m.

The residents said their children reported hearing several shots but a Border Patrol spokesman said to his knowledge only one was fired. It was not clear whether the shot hit the car.

Steve Mason, a KMST—TV cameraman covering the raid with reporter Karina Rusk, said Border Patrol Agent Chris Wells of Salinas, with whom they were riding, pursued the car with the fleeing men.

"About 2.9 miles down Carmel Valley Road, they stopped in a pull out area," Mason said. Wells pulled up beside the car, jumped out, reached in the drivers' window and grabbed one of the men by his sweatshirt, Mason said. The driver put his car into reverse and spun out, turning around and heading back towards the Village, he said.

Mason said Wells raised his weapon and shot at the vehicle as it was driving away from him. "The wheels of the car were really spinning." Mason filmed much of the incident, and it was aired by KMST-TV that night. Mason said he thought Wells' shot missed the car, but other reports said it was hit. Authorities declined to comment.

Wells cut his hand on the suspect's car window and later went to the hospital emergency room for treatment, according to Alan Dwelley, assistant chief patrol agent in Dublin. Other Border Patrol agents later arrested the three suspects on a side road off Carmel Valley Road.

"The vehicle had attempted to run over (a different) agent" in the Village, said Dwelley. He said the car then side-swiped Wells, nearly throwing him to the edge of the road. "At that time, the shot was discharged."

Dwelley declined to give the name of the agent the men allegedly attempted to hit with their vehicle, saying that was the agency's policy. However, in affidavits filed with a U. S. Magistrate in San Jose, the other agent was identified as Paul Demers.

The affadivit said the car with the three men initially sped away from Wells who radioed Demers, who stood in the middle of the road in full uniform, gesturing with a baton for the car to pull over. But the papers said the car accelerated toward Demers, forcing him to jump out of the way and passing close enough to him that he was able to hit it with the baton.

Two charges of assault against a federal officer are pending against the driver, Dwelley said, one for trying to run over Demers and one involving the altercation with Wells. The man was identified as Jose Luis Tapia-Flores, 26, who is being held in county jail.

Asked about Border Patrol guidelines for use of deadly force, Dwelley said it can be used in defense of an agent's own life, in defense of a fellow officer or in defense of an innocent third party.

Asked if any one of those situations existed, Dwelley responded, "It wouldn't be proper for me to comment on something being reviewed." He said he did not know when the review panel would complete its investigation, but said any time a firearm is discharged, the incident is investigated internally.

Wells, a 13-year Border Patrol veteran, has remained on regular duty, Dwelley said.

He also noted that on the KMST-TV videotape Wells was heard to comment that the chase would have to be discontinued if it posed any danger to the public.

"I was a little surprised" when Wells fired the shot, Mason said, but added that during the chase, he felt Wells had control of his car.

Despite some reports to the contrary, no shots were fired by Wells as he drove down Carmel Valley Road, Mason said.

Asked if he was scared by the chase, Mason said, "I think I was more excited than scared. I didn't feel in danger from them (the fleeing illegals)." He said he and Rusk had been questioned by an FBI agent.

The local residents who complained said they had called 911 during the incident and later complained to Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman and Rep. Leon Panetta.

Deputy Lance Berryman said the Sheriff's Department does not become involved in U.S. Border Patrol activities unless the agency calls for aid. It is a federal agency, and its jurisdiction overrides all local or state authority, Berryman said.

Supervisors Hear Patrol Protests

A number of residents complained to the Board of Supervisors Tuesday about recent Border Patrol sweeps to pick up suspected illegal aliens.

The board took no action, but did set a hearing for Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. after hearing specific complaints about a high-speed chase in Carmel Valley during which an agent fired at a car and agents boarding a transit bus in Monterey to arrest several people.

Mike Meuter of the California Rural Legal Assistance in Salinas said he was morally outraged by the agents' activities.

Bill Melendez, a former state official with the League of United Latin American Citizens, said "The Latino community is being victimized once again."

Sheriff Norm Hicks said he had forwarded a written complaint to the Immigration Service about day laborers congregating in Carmel Valley Village after receiving some 12 complaints from residents. The residents claimed the men urinate in public, harrass customers at Village businesses and are generally unruly, he said.

Principal: Tularcitos Wrongly in Spotlight

Carmel Valley's Tularcitos School got some unexpected national publicity Tuesday, but Principal Karin Camilli wasn't too thrilled about it.

She said she doesn't know what evangelist Pat Robertson is talking about—and suggested he may not know, either.

According to calls received by the *Sun*, Robertson reported on his cable television show which reaches audiences nationwide that the elementary school had sent students home for wearing T-shirts protesting the lack of prayer in schools.

But Camilli, who said she also had received calls from several parents following the broadcast, reported no such thing had happened.

"I'm the person around here who would decide that someone should be sent home for something they're wearing, and I haven't sent anybody home," she said.

She added that she had heard differing stories about precisely what Robertson had said. "We're looking into it."

School Superintendent Vance Baldwin said he also had received four or five calls from citizens and was looking into the matter. He said to his knowledge, no student had been sent home from any Carmel school for wearing a T-shirt with a religious message.

Council Settles Sexual Harassment Case

Acting behind closed doors, the Carmel City Council Tuesday ratified a settlement of sexual harrassment charges brought by Allison Gates, an employee in the Recreation Department.

A brief announcement by City Attorney Don Freeman following the closed session also said that the council had directed him and City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio to revise the city's sexual harrassment policy. The details of the settlement were not disclosed but reliable sources said the city would pay Gates four months severance pay.

Asked to comment, D'Ambrosio said, "I can't speak about it. It's a personnel issue. We are in agreement we can't discuss it. I don't want to talk about it at all."

Gates' attorney, Mary Margaret O'Connell, told the *Sun* Wednesday that she was surprised to hear the matter had gone to the council.

Asked about the terms of the settlement, she said, "That's not entirely accurate. It was more."

"There's no gag order," she said. "In personnel matters, it's always inappropriate to discuss personnel. The employer should always remain silent. I'm going along with what I think is an appropriate thing to say.

"The situation was so stressful for her and was made more stressful by the delay in addressing the issues," she said of her client. "People need to get on with their lives. I'm pleased it was resolved. We're happy with Mike Stamp's handling of it."

The charges were handled by attorney Michael Stamp who does much of the city's legal work. Stamp won a $175,000 settlement for O'Connell herself several years ago when she brought sex discrimination charges against the Monterey County District Attorney's office.

Freeman said Carmel's sexual harrassment ordinance would be revised so that if a complaint is made in a small department where there is only one employee and one supervisor, the complaint would be directed to somone else to handle.

"It would be reassigned to a member of the opposite sex in the highest level position," Freeman said. He said he had urged the council to ratify the settlement because, "You can't have one of the parties involved make a settlement."

After Gates first brought charges of "sexual harrassment in a hostile work environment," she subsequently accused D'Ambrosio of failing to act on her complaint.

A married woman who lives in Pacific Grove, Gates held the position of administrative assistant/secretary at the department for about three years. The position of administrative assistant pays $1,919 to $2,332 and the position of administrative secretary, $2,091 to $2,541.

She distributed copies of her complaint, which included some specific language and details, to the Recreation Commission when it held a special meeting at City Hall in late September to plan how to keep the department from being axed in budget cuts.

The city assigned Dr. Susan Olivera, a psychologist at Gabilan College, who does personnel work for the city, to investigate the charges. A payment of $1,200 was made to her in October for professional services. Regularly employed by the city, she also was paid $500 for "personnel/personnel development." The conclusion of her report on Gates, who took Workmens' Compensation leave, was never made public.

'For the most part we are satisified," O'Connell said. "The city is pursuing the concerns appropriately by adjusting attitudes. They will tighten it (the ordinance) up in terms of the time frames of response.

"I've been assured they're going to tighten up the ordinance and when an employee raises the issue of a hostile work environment that they will address it rather than waiting until someone fills out a form."

Highway 1 Improvements Outlined

County supervisors accepted a report Tuesday on the status of a number of suggested road improvements to ease traffic conditions at the mouth of Carmel Valley, including some agreed to by Caltrans.

Public Works Director Gerald Gromko reported that Caltrans has designed a project which will lengthen the northbound right-turn lane onto Highway 1 from Rio Road from 200 to 800 feet and modify a raised island to provide space for two southbound left-turn lanes from Highway 1 onto Rio.

Those changes have been approved by Caltrans, and are scheduled to be done in the summer of 1993, Gromko said. Caltrans will fund the work at Rio Road and Highway 1, he added.

Caltrans was asked by the supervisors in May to help with interim improvements in the congested area.

Caltrans also agreed to study lengthening the southbound left turn lane at Carmel Valley Road after completing an evaluation of the temporary traffic signal currently under construction at the Highway 1 intersection, Gromko said.

Public works has had two sessions with Caltrans staff, Gromko said, and has worked with a citizens group in developing ideas for road improvements.

A number of plans were presented to Caltrans, including construction of one northbound lane through Hatton Canyon at a cost about $1.5 million, but were rejected since they could be conceived as replacement projects for the Hatton Canyon Freeway, Gromko said.

The temporary traffic signal project will probably be complete by Nov. 25, Gromko reported. The project will coordinate traffic signals in the Rio Road-Carmel Rancho Boulevard area with the new signal being installed at Highway 1 and the Carmel Valley Road. The signals also would be synchronized with those at Ocean Avenue.

Gromko's report to the board said Caltrans had rejected a request from the Carmel Highlands Association for a ban on right turns on red at the Rio Road-Highway 1 intersection.

Center Will Hold Open House

The Carmel Youth Center will hold an open house Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served. The center is located at 4th and Torres in Carmel.